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Super Board To Steer Defense

A super steering board of four is to be known as the Office of Production Management, directed by William S. Knudsen, was appointed today by President Roosevelt to assume full responsibility for the defense program.

Members of the new agency, which will not replace the existing defense setup but will operate in connection with that agency's broad scope of activities as a supreme defense directorate, are:

Knudsen, who has been serving on the Defense Advisory Commission since May, director and representative of production.

Sidney Hillman, associate director and spokesman for labor.

Sec. of War Stimson and Sec. of Navy Knox, representatives of the armed forces and services.

President Roosevelt told press representatives the new superagency could have full responsibility for the defense program, with all the responsibility that can be divested under the Constitution. He explained, however, that despite its great power, the OPM would not supersede the Army and Navy in actual signing of contracts.

In setting up the new board, the president invoked an unused section of the First Reorganization Act, which authorizes an emergency office in the White House.

Soldier Exploiters To Be Curbed By Army Officials

An organization to deal with individuals or elements engaged in exploiting soldiers financially or subjecting them to bad moral influence is to be formed by the War Department.

Sec. Stimson made this announcement Thursday after disclosing that soldiers had been subjected to the mentioned abuses in unnamed communities near Ft. Benning, Ga. The cabinet member told the press there would be a committee to work toward improvement of health and sanitary conditions in towns near the army posts, and to cooperate with law enforcements and other official agencies in the communities.

The aim would be to control "undesirable persons and places," increase proper recreational facilities in the towns and protect soldiers from being exploited. Sec. Stimson said it was highly important that camps where Selectees will undergo a year of training be in a good neighborhood, and if the neighborhood is not good, that it be bettered.

"I found on a recent trip to Ft. Benning that there is a great deal of room for improvement in one of the neighboring towns—in all sorts of ways," the War Secretary remarked. He said that when the Benning personnel was enlarged, and a lot of young officers came in looking for quarters, "all the rents in one town went up threefold." Conditions of a moral character in one of the nearby towns "was an even worse influence," he added.

White House Issues Order on Objectors

Every military performance except combat duties and phases of warfare and training calling for employment of weapons will be the lot of any conscientious objectors called into the service of the armed forces.

This was set forth recently in an executive order from the White House. The order defines noncombatant training as including: Service in any unit which is unarmed at all times.

Service in the medical department wherever performed.

Service in any unit or installation.

The primary function of which does not require the use of arms in combat, provided the individual's assignment within such unit or installation does not require him to bear arms or be trained in their use.

Merry Christmas to the Army

Gen. John J. Pershing:

I extend to the officers and enlisted men of all United States Army components, my warmest greetings for the Holiday Season. I feel confident that a new Army, embodying the spirit of the old, will give to America a happy sense of growing security during the New Year and for the years to come.

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson:

To the personnel of all the components of the Army of the United States engaged in strengthening the land defenses of this Republic, I extend on behalf of the War Department my most sincere greetings and heartfelt gratitude this Christmastide. May Christmas be a most joyful day for all of you and may the coming year be one which will bring you the satisfaction of memories of patriotic missions successfully accomplished.

Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson:

This Christmas of 1940 finds America at peace, and it also finds America girding herself to put forth her full might for the maintenance of that peace in an embattled world. May the sun of peace continue to shine upon us as we set our shoulders to the task of building our defenses so strongly that no nation or combination of nations will ever dare risk disturbing the security which is the bulwark of our liberty and our democracy. To the men in the camps and the men in the factories, America looks with hope and pride and confidence as Christmas anthems peal anew from bells which, unlike those in less fortunate lands, have not been made into engines of destruction.

Chief of Staff, Gen. George C. Marshall:

The Holiday greetings of the Chief of Staff and the War Department go to every member of the Active Army, together with a deep appreciation of the splendid effort each individual is giving to the tremendous task of creating a trained and seasoned military force.

Whatever degree there may be of mechanization and however important the munitions program, all of this will have little value unless the product can be placed in the hands of highly trained, disciplined military teams. For the contribution to this end that is being made by officers and soldiers alike, and for the fine spirit in which they have undertaken the task, we are deeply grateful.

Army Orders

Van Riper, Con. Surgeon William D., Paterson, N. J., to Dover, N. J.
Mangarpan, War. Off. Charles, to be retired from active service.
Chapman, War. Off. Shirley I., Philippine Dept., to Chicago, Ill.
Lohmann, War. Off. Charles W., Governors Island, N. Y., to Brooklyn, N. Y.
Wilcox, Capt. Perry O., Madison Barracks, N. Y., to Philippine Dept.
Dickson, War. Off. Robert O., retired from active service.
Boggs, Col. Frank C., Evanston, Ill., to Baltimore, Md.
Ladue, Col. William B., Charleston, S. C., to duty.
Brearley, Ralph A., War. Off., Chicago, Ill., to Hawaiian Dept.
Stickie, Col. Horton W., Midland, Mich., to Boston, Mass.
Rice, Maj. Martin R., Wellsville, Ohio, to West De Pere, Wisc.
Hurt, Capt. Charles M., Chattanooga, Tenn., to Savannah, Ga.
Clark, Col. Francis W., to Presidio of Monterey, Calif.
Gerow, Brig. Gen. Leonard T., duty at Wash., D. C.
Metcalfe, Brig. Gen. Raymond F., Wash., D. C., to San Francisco, Calif.
McNeal, Capt. Joseph W., duty at Wash., D. C.
Weaver, Brig. Gen. Walter R., duty at Maxwell Field, Ala.
Yates, Col. Halsey E., Los Angeles, Calif., to duty.
Williams, Lieut. Col. Garnet C., Wash., D. C., to home retired.
Ludwigs, Maj. John R., duty at Fort Worth, Tex.

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Sentry Who Challenged, Then Fired, Justified, Say His Officers

FORT DEVENS, Mass.—An Army sentry who shot at an automobile that refused to stop when ordered, injuring a woman occupant, was upheld and commended for his adherence to orders.

The bullet struck the woman in the neck. She suffered a minor wound.

In an authorized statement by the Army, the incident was described as follows:

"At 1:30 a. m. a woman and two men passed the sentry at the main gate at Fort Devens. He shouted at them three times but they refused to stop. He fired.

"A bullet struck the car and ricocheted, striking the woman in the neck and inflicting a superficial injury. She was treated at the Ayer hospital and later discharged.

"We have been given orders that no one is permitted to enter this cantonment without presenting proper credentials. The sentry is to be commended for his adherence to orders."

Punster

Gen. George C. Marshall got off the smoothest line of the week at a preview showing of "Flight Command" in Washington.

Following an elaborate dinner, the general was introduced by the toastmaster, who said the Chief of Staff is a full general. At exactly the right moment, the Chief of Staff rose and said:

"Thank you. It is true I am a full general. I am a very full general."

Gen. MacArthur Gives Views on U. S. Defense

Declaring that "the greatest strategic mistake of all history will be made if America fails to recognize the vital moment" if she permits again the writing of that fatal epitaph, "too late," Gen. Douglas MacArthur, USA-Ret., has indicated in a letter to William Allen White, author and publisher of Emporia, Kan., his belief that the United States should give all possible aid to Great Britain.

Gen. MacArthur, former Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army, was asked by White, who heads an organization that is concentrating upon rendering aid to Britain, to give his opinion on the present war situation as it regards America.

"Victory in war results from no mysterious alchemy or wizardry but entirely upon the concentration of superior force at the critical points of combat," the military expert wrote. "To face an adversary in detail has been the prayer of every conqueror in history; it is the secret of the past successes of the Axis powers in this war. It is their main hope for continued and ultimate victory.

"The greatest strategic mistake of all history will be made if America fails to recognize the vital moment, if she permits again the writing of that fatal epitaph, 'too late.' Such coordinated help as may be regarded as proper by our leaders should be synchronized with the British effort so that the English-speaking peoples of the world will not be broken in detail. The vulnerability of singleness will disappear before unity of effort. Not too late, not tomorrow, but today," Gen. MacArthur summed up his definition of "too late" as follows:

"Too late in comprehending the deadly purpose of a potential enemy; too late in realizing the mortal danger; too late in preparedness; too late in uniting all possible forces for resistance; too late in standing with one's friends."

The retired general now is serving as military adviser to the President of the Philippine Commonwealth.

Enlisted Men to Entertain Needy Tots at Christmas

BOSTON — Headquarters Detachment of the Army Base plans to entertain 100 needy children between the ages of 8 and 10 at Christmas dinner. The party, arranged exclusively by enlisted men, will be broadcast over the Colonial Network.

Newfoundland Unit Will Leave N. Y. In January

First garrison for the eight military and naval bases acquired from Great Britain will sail from New York next month for St. Johns, Newfoundland, the War Department announced Thursday.

The outfit, to be attached to the 1st Army, will be supplied and administered by the II Corps Area, whose headquarters is at Governors Island, N. Y. Classification of its components and their number is a military secret.

The garrison members will be housed temporarily aboard the SS Edmund B. Alexander, to be moored in the harbor at St. Johns until their base can be prepared for occupancy. Engineers are now at work on the base quarters and facilities.

The force will be headed by Col. B. M. Welty, Inf. officer on temporary duty in the War Department. The northern station will be known as the Newfoundland Base of the U. S. Army.

Group Suggests Welfare Units Near Camps

An outline submitted this week to Paul V. McNutt, Federal coordinator of welfare activities in connection with defense, by the National United Welfare Committee proposed the establishment of welfare centers near armed-service camps and defense factory sites.

The welfare group, which comprises representatives of the YMCA, YWCA, National Catholic Community Service, Salvation Army and Jewish Welfare Board, suggested that the welfare centers be built and equipped by the Government and staffed and operated by the NUWC.

Army Officers Get New Instructions On Insignia

From here on out when one observes an officer wearing shoulder-sleeve or other distinguishing insignia of an organization, it will be an indication the officer is actually assigned or detailed to that organization.

In setting down this rule this week, the War Dept. ordered further that when an officer is not assigned to an organization he will wear the insignia of his arm, service or bureau without regimental designation.

Recreation-Exchange Funds May Be Used For Camp Papers

Army camp newspapers now may use recreation and post exchange funds to defray expenses of publication, provided the periodicals do not carry any paid advertising.

In announcing this ruling Thursday, the War Department stated that sale of camp periodicals "as an activity of the fund" is authorized. The no-paid-advertising rule also applies when the news medium is published under direct supervision of the post exchange, whose sales are exclusively to military personnel.

Walter Reed Hospital To Be Expanded

Seventeen barracks, a mess hall and kitchen are to be constructed at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C. The building was authorized this week by the War Department, which allocated \$584,056 for the purpose.

Two barracks, one of which will include a mess hall, will quarter reserve officers pursuing special courses at Walter Reed. The other barracks will house enlisted personnel ordered to the hospital for technical training as laboratory, X-ray and dental technicians, ward masters and ward nurses. The mess hall for the enlisted men will accommodate 750 soldiers.

Christmas in the Post Exchange

by Marshall Davis



Greetings to the First Army

Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, Commanding First Army, Governors Island, N. Y.:

The Christmas season comes to the First Army at a time when we are expanding to a much larger strength, and doing our part in the national defense by the training of our forces, which include men from all walks of American life, represented in units of the National Guard, the Organized Reserves and the Regular Army, and including the Trainees and volunteers now coming into service.

I wish to extend to all members of the First Army, and to those who are coming to us, my warm personal greetings, and the sincere hope that the New Year will bring to us all a useful and valuable experience and a sense of duty well done. Let us hope also that it will find our country and the world free from war and strong in the future security of an America and a world at peace.

Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short, Commanding First Corps, Columbia, S. C.:

I welcome the opportunity to extend Christmas Greetings to all ranks of the I Corps. To those of you who are with family and friends at home and to those of you who remain at your stations I wish the happiest of holiday seasons and a safe return to a successful completion of the obligations you have assumed in such a splendid manner.

Maj. Gen. H. C. Pratt, Commanding Second Corps, Ft. George Meade, Md.:

To those who have already joined and to those who are to join, I extend my best wishes for a Merry Christmas season.

The New Year will bring complex and diverse problems, many of which are now unknown. I feel confident that you will meet them with enthusiasm and solve them in the best traditions of the Army of the United States.

Maj. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, Commanding Ninth Division, Fort Bragg, N. C.:

To the officers and enlisted men of Fort Bragg and their families, and to the 20,000 civilian workmen who are completing our great housing program, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. You have my sincere thanks for the loyalty, energy and enthusiasm that you have shown in our mutual task of expansion and intensive training. May you enjoy the holiday season and come back to your work, prepared to step up the tempo of building and training to make the Army fit and ready for the defense and preservation of our country.

Maj. Gen. Clifford Powell, Commanding 44th Division (Square), Fort Dix, N. J.:

I take pleasure in extending my most sincere Christmas greetings to every member of the 44th Division. As we approach our first extended holiday, I am happy to report that the health, morale, and training progress of the command are excellent. I congratulate every officer and enlisted man on the progress that has been made since we entered Federal service. We have undertaken our mission in a spirit of devotion to our country's welfare, and together we have developed a fellowship which

is more keenly felt at this season of good will towards all men.

Maj. Gen. T. A. Terry, Commanding 1st Coast Artillery District, Boston, Mass.:

As the Christmas season draws near, I desire to express to the Officers, Warrant Officers, and Enlisted Men of the First Coast Artillery District, my appreciation of their splendid accomplishments.

I am particularly gratified to find in all harbor defenses such splendid morale and such high standards of training. I am cognizant of the fact that the training schedules have been exacting and that the many and diverse directives have demanded resourcefulness, attention to detail, and coordination of effort. The excellent progress that has been made is indicative of individual efficiency and devotion to duty.

In the spirit of the holiday season and in appreciation of these fine achievements, I desire to extend to you my sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Brig. Gen. Robert C. Garrett, Commanding Portland (Me.) Harbor Defenses, Fort Williams, Me.:

To the officers, enlisted men and civilians of the Harbor Defenses of Portland: As commanding general, I extend Christmas and New Year's Greetings. May this be the happiest holiday season ever.

Brig. Gen. Rollin L. Tilton, Acting Commander, Harbor Defense of Chesapeake Bay, Fort Monroe, Va.:

I wish to extend to all personnel of the Harbor Defense of Chesapeake Bay my sincere good wishes for a happy and prosperous Christmas season and continued health and contentment during the coming year.

The world shaking changes which we have observed during 1940 with the consequent privations and suffering of peoples of the old world should bring home to us the enormous privilege of peace and happiness which we enjoy.

It behooves all members of this command to exert every effort to make our Army and this country strong and able to perform the tasks which lie ahead. In this way we may hope to enjoy our happiness many more Christmas holidays to come.

Brig. Gen. John A. Crane, Commanding 13th Field Artillery Brigade, Fort Bragg, N. C.:

Season's Greetings to the 13th Field Artillery Brigade.

Until recently the 13th has been the only Corps Artillery Brigade in our Army. While there are now several other such brigades in the process of organization, the 13th remains the one most nearly ready for complete operation.

In the short period of my command I have found that, although not as yet up to the newly authorized strength, the 13th is a fine, energetic, and capable Brigade which I feel confident will always be able to fulfill the many military missions it will receive.

May your Christmas season be most enjoyable and the entire New Year bring the happiest period of service to each member of the command.

Greetings which arrived late will be published Dec. 28

Patterson Recounts History Of 207th Coast Artillery

NEW YORK—One of the busiest officials around the War Department in the national capital during the current period of defense planning, Robert P. Patterson, War Undersecretary—had a reunion with his old unit, the 207th CA, N.Y. NG, here Monday.

Headquarters Element Of 2d Army Corps To Be Set Up

In the near future the Hqs. 2d Army Corps will be established at Wilmington, Del., the War Dept. announced this week.

Commanded by Maj. Gen. Henry C. Pratt, the II Corps will be composed of the 28th, 29th and 44th divisions and corps troops. The divisions are composed entirely of NG troops from the District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

The 44th Div. already is engaged in active training at Ft. Dix, N. J. The 28th and 29th divisions, when called into Federal service early next year, will be stationed at Indiantown Gap, Pa., and Ft. George G. Meade, Md., respectively. Small elements of the corps will be stationed in the various home states.

An advance detachment of the Corps Hqs. is due to arrive in Wilmington within the next few days and will be quartered temporarily in the State Armory. General Pratt and members of his staff will arrive soon after Christmas.

Welsh Lets Taos Keep 'Em Scalps

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—Short hair may be vague for soldiers but it won't help an Indian fighter reach his happy hunting grounds.

Because of that tradition, Mayor George Welsh of Grand Rapids has been asked to help a tribe of Indians at Taos, N. M., spare the long braids of its selected members during their Army service.

The mayor became acquainted with some of the Indians on a recent visit to New Mexico and some days ago he had a letter from a ranchman friend of the tribesmen asking him to intercede on the long-hair issue. The letter sets forth that long hair is an essential part of the Taos tribal traditions.

Field Artillery Outfit Transferred from Meyer

The War Department announced this week that the 1st Battalion, 16th FA, will be transferred from Ft. Meyer, Va., to Ft. Riley, Kan., for permanent station shortly after January 25, 1941.

This organization, then an element of the 19th FA, arrived in Ft. Meyer from Luxembourg, in July, 1919, and was successively redesignated the 2d and 3d FA, after which it was given its present designation in 1922.

A new unit to be designated Bat. C, 55th FA Bn., is to be organized to replace the 1st Bn., 16th FA, prior to the latter's departure from Ft. Meyer.

Personnel for this new battery will be transferred from the departing battalion and will be carefully selected so as to insure a full quota of trained and experienced men with one-third of those assigned to the new organization having more than one year's service.

The Guard organization was having a farewell dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel and the Governor's official was on hand to make a speech and mingle with old and new friends of the unit.

Recalling in his address that outfit once was an Infantry organization, after having started out as an artillery regiment back in 1800, Patterson went on:

"You are artillery again—a branch of artillery never envisioned by a Stitcher in his wildest dreams when he became your first commanding officer 134 years ago. We did two years of duty on Bledsoes Island 70 years before the Statue of Liberty was there. In 1825, six of our company became a battalion of 'National Guards'—the first use of the term in American military history. We came infantry again and we remained infantry for quite a while. As Infantry you stormed across the rolling plain of Picardy to crack the Hindenburg Line."

After lauding the unit, he reminded the men that "eight weeks from day, according to present plans, will be mobilized at Camp Stewart, Ga." He told them also that Stewart, formerly known as the Vannah Antiaircraft Training Center, occupies an extensive area north of Hinesville, Ga., a village of 500 inhabitants, 35 miles from Savannah.

"You will have at your disposal a range measuring 35 by 18 miles, 360,000 acres—acquired at a cost of \$2,600,000," the veteran added. "The camp is being erected at a cost of \$5,700,000. On Nov. 30 Camp Stewart was 40 per cent completed. A week later the figure had risen to 54 per cent. I think I can reasonably assure you that you will find a complete camp when you arrive there in a month or so."

The official pointed out that the camp will house some 14,000 men, 1000 Regular Army troops, 6000 National Guardsmen and 7000 Selected units there to war strength. Other units will include two of the New York antiaircraft regiments, the 209th and the 212th, which will be combined with the 207th to form the 102d CA Brig. On hand also will be the 213th CA from Pennsylvania, the 214th from Georgia, Patterson said. In addition, there will be the 37-mm antiaircraft battalions, 101st from Georgia, the 104th from Alabama, and the 107th from South Carolina.

Home Guard Units To Get Arms

A limited amount of free arms will be available for home guard units created in the various states to place National Guardsmen called to active service, the War Department disclosed.

Officials said they would allow state 1917 Enfield 30-caliber and 1917 gun slings, 1917 bayonets, bayonet scabbards. These will be distributed at a rate of not more than 50 per cent of the enlisted strength of the state's National Guard as of June 30.

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Indians Called Again to Aid Sig. Corps

OKLAHOMA CITY.—The Army Signal Corps again has called on the Comanche Indians for aid in its intricate code work just as the strange tongue of that tribe was utilized during the World War to puzzle the Germans.

Indian language experts say there are only a few white men in the world who can fathom the Comanche tongue. The tribe has no written language. A. C. Monahan, director of the Indian Service, received a War Department request to recommend 30 Indians, fluent in their language and able to understand each other, for enlistment to train in the Sig. Corps. Monahan chose Comanches.

Prof. W. G. Becker of the English department at Cameron Agricultural College, Lawton, and an authority on the Comanche Tribe, recalled that several Comanches from southwestern Oklahoma were used in the last war for relaying secret messages.

"It must have driven the Germans crazy," Becker said, pointing out that the AEF wires had been tapped by the enemy. One Indian would be at a telephone at the front in communication with a comrade back at headquarters. They would relay messages in their native tongue.

It is understood that the Army plans to send the Indians to Atlanta, Ga., for Sig. Corps training.



SICK SOLDIERS at Fort Bliss, Tex., will soon become acquainted with these five women, newly inducted into the Army as Red Cross nurses. They're all from Dallas. Left to right: Myrtle Drake, Avis Geren, Susie Hickson, Ione Hawks and Georgia Teater. All misses.

—Dallas News Photo.

From Univ. of Mississippi

U. OF MISSISSIPPI—Rankings for 28 members of the 114th FA Band of the Miss. National Guard were announced recently by Warrant Officer R. N. Whitfield Jr. Most of the bandsmen are U. of Mississippi students. The state Guard will be stationed at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Legionnaires Help FBI Fight Espionage

NEW YORK.—Acting as anti-espionage agents in cooperation with the FBI, thousands of American Legionnaires are being formed into a suborganization to help protect the nation's defense plants and activities.

The organization was begun three months ago in New York State, explained Edward A. Vosseler, State Commander, who said it already had resulted in discovery of a number of plots. He added that the disclosures resulted in blocking the subversive activities.

Vosseler predicted that eventually the corps of Legion vigilantes would grow to around 50,000 members. More than 2,000 Legionnaires already are serving the organization in New York State, he said. Most of the men are those of German, Italian or Russian extraction who served in the AEF during the World War. It was explained further that no Legionnaire knows the identity of a fellow

member engaged in anti-espionage work.

The Legion group organization, the commander said, is acting as a clearing house for the FBI on information and individuals regarding sabotage.

Moffett Cadet Trainers Kept Busy These Days

MOFFETT FIELD, Calif.—Just as most of the offices and departments on this field were beginning to ease up a bit from the grind of turning out 120 Flying Cadet graduates and other camp activity, a second class of 134 cadets dropped in on the Air Corps' basic flying school here recently.

Marking the midway point of the basic stage of training for Class 41-B, the new class' arrival brought the realization of the constant change in students at this base.

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Xmas in Italy

We herewith present a first-class alibi to the speedster on the opposite side of this page: His troops are hurrying through Albania and Libya because they are eager to get home for Christmas.

That is straight goods. And we can't find it in our heart to blame the Italians for what appears on the surface to be a lack in command, tactics, and guts. This is simply no season of the year for fighting.

The other day a British ship lying off the Libyan coast picked up the following radio message from a British tank commander somewhere in the desert:

"Am surrounded by 500 Italians, all with their hands in the air and all shouting 'Peace, Peace!' Please send infantry to round them up."

We can imagine those men huddled among the sand dunes, talking things over, thinking each in his own way of Giuseppe and Maria, of the good red Chianti in basket bottles, of the Bambino's crib in the stable, not to be built this year. And of an olive tree—the deep green shade of an olive tree!

Then the tank came along.

Because, over here, we have our own equivalents of Maria and the Chianti and complete freedom of devotion, it is easy to laugh at an incident of this sort—whether it happened that way or not, and of course it did not.

It is too easy to forget that people at war are no different from people at peace. They are merely unlucky. Buried somewhere within each one are the same human impulses that motivate us.

And that is why we say, in all seriousness, that the Italians are hurrying home for Christmas. We're only sorry Mussolini did not think to say it first.

'One Army'

This week, yet one more order was issued erasing distinctions between Reserves and Guardsmen on one hand and Regulars on the other. The War Department said that henceforward, a captain in the Infantry will simply be a captain in the Infantry, not Reserve, Guardsman or Regular, but simply U. S. Army.

There was a time during the past few years when you could go to an official reception and find the officers of the Regulars in one group, the officers of the Reserve in another. This was hardly a matter of superiority or inferiority, though a bit of that might have entered into the matter.

Any thinking person knows that people who have common experience, background and knowledge have a tendency to get together to the exclusion of others, who would not be able to follow the conversation. Much of the "social discrimination" which is sometimes laid at the door of the Regulars is due to this, nothing more.

However, the new order is all to the good. The citizen-soldiers in the new Army are going to outnumber the Regulars about four to one. In the end, the effectiveness of the new Army will depend upon its cohesion as much as on its training. It is going to be "one Army" or no Army. And the tremendous steps taken by civilians outside the Army to help out in whatever way they can is a step toward "one Nation," in which the Army will fit as a unit rather than THE unit of national defense. That is important, too.

Intelligence

Winston Churchill, an intelligent man, defines military intelligence in writing about his great ancestor, the Duke of Marlborough:

"The success of a commander does not arise from following rules or models. It consists in an absolutely new comprehension of the dominant fact of the situation at the time, and all the forces at work."

"Cooks use recipes for dishes and doctors have prescriptions for diseases, but every operation of war is unique."

"The kind of intelligence capable of grasping in its complete integrity what is actually happening in the field is not taught by

This Week in Army History

December 15

1913: Pfc. Edward W. Morrison, Hospital Corps, USA, received a citation for his gallant assistance to wounded soldiers during a battle with hostile Moros at Mamaya Peak, P. I.

1890: Indian police, led by Lt. Bull Head and Sergeants Shave Head and Red Tomahawk, surrounded the lodge of Sitting Bull and called upon him to surrender. The chief resisted arrest. In the fight which followed, Sitting Bull was shot to death, as was his 17-year-old son, Crowfoot. Six police were killed, and ten hostile Indians. Captain Fehet arrived with soldiers just in time to save the police from annihilation.

1864: The battle of Nashville.

1917: Edgar Bouligny, of New Orleans, serving with the French Foreign Legion, received his fourth wound.

December 16

1864: At Nashville, Capt. Marion T. Anderson, Co. D, 51st Indiana Inf., although badly wounded, led his company over five lines of enemy works, until he fell exhausted.

1814: Andrew Jackson proclaimed martial law in New Orleans while making ready to defend the city against the British attack.

1873: War between the United States and Spain was narrowly averted when Spain released the American gun-running ship, Virginus, to U. S. Naval officers. Nine American members of the crew had already been shot, but the remainder were freed.

December 17

1864: At Harpeth River, Tenn., Eugene B. Beaumont, major and assistant adjutant general, Army of Mississippi, requested permission temporarily to command the 4th U. S. Cavalry with Lt. Joseph Hedges. He attacked with such vigor as to rout completely all opposition, capturing three field pieces and numerous prisoners.

1773: The Boston Tea Party.

1903: The Wright brothers' first successful airplane flight, Kitty Hawk, N. C. The birth of heavier-than-air aircraft.

1927: The U. S. Submarine S-4, submerged a mile and a half off Provincetown, Mass., was rammed by the Coast Guard Cutter Paulding. Although superhuman efforts were made to rescue them, the entire crew of 39 perished.

December 18

1899: General Lawton was killed in

battle with Filipino insurgents at San Mateo.

December 19

1814: Fort Niagara captured and burned by General McClure.

1893: U. S. war vessels were dispatched to Rio de Janeiro to protect American merchantmen.

1899: At San Mateo, P. I., Cpl. A. A. Gaujot and Sgt. Edward H. Gibson, both of Co. M, 27th Inf., USV., swam a river under direct fire of Filipino sharpshooters to obtain a canoe with which to transport supplies.

1777: Washington went into winter quarters at Valley Forge.

December 20

1855: Lt. George Hartsuff, commanding a reconnaissance detail of ten men in the Big Cypress Swamp, Florida, was attacked by 40 Indians. Five of his men were killed in the first volley. The others fled. The lieutenant, shot through the breast and with an arm broken by a rifle ball, hid in a bayou until alligators, attracted by the blood, drove him out. He then began to crawl toward the fort, fully 40 miles distant. For four days he dragged himself forward on his hands and knees, covering about 15 miles. There he was discovered by a party of soldiers dispatched from the fort to recover the bodies of the men killed in the ambush. Hartsuff recovered, became a brigadier general and served valiantly in the Civil War. He died in 1874 from the effects of the ball he carried in his breast.

1890: Indians, incensed over the killing of Sitting Bull, "jumped" the reservation and went on the war-path.

December 21

1860: South Carolina seceded from the Union.

1866: Colonel Fetterman, commanding 84 officers and men, rode out of Fort Phil Kearney to rescue a wood-cutting detail harassed by Indians. Fetterman had frequently boasted: "Give me 80 men and I'll ride through the whole Sioux nation." His column was ambushed and wiped out to the last man.

1899: At Alos, Zambales, Luzon, P. I., Surg. Paul F. Straub, 36th Inf., USV., repelled with pistol fire an insurgent attack, and at the risk of his own life carried a wounded officer to a place of safety.

1893: Forty men of Co. F, 3d Inf., were called out to capture a gang of tramps at Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Camp Movies Expanding

In outlining the Army's plans to expand the moving picture phase of its recreation program, the War Dept. pointed out this week that the camp theatres are operated on what might be called a "neighborhood-show" basis. The aim is to avoid direct competition with commercial civilian shows.

Like any neighborhood theatre, the Service shows pictures that already have run at metropolitan first-run houses. The admission fee is set at a point which will pay minimum operating costs, and provide a small margin for safety to guard against any emergency financial difficulties.

Long held an important factor in maintenance of morale, the Army Motion Picture Service functioning in camps and posts in all parts of the United States and Alaska, is looking ahead to meeting the needs of the rapidly expanding Army. The service functions by providing motion pictures for enlisted men and other Army personnel at a low price.

QMC Construction Div. Mentioned in Awards By U. S. Architects

For the excellence of its construction work, the QM Corps' Construction division has been awarded a certificate of honorable mention by the Association of Federal Architects. The medal of honor this year went to the Navy Department's Bureau of Yards and Docks.

During the seven years that the awards have been made the QMC Construction Division has won three first medals. The other four first places were split by the Procurement Division of the Treasury Department and this year's winner.

the tactics of commanders on one side or the other—though these may train the mind—but by a profound appreciation of the actual event."

Though Mr. Churchill, whom history will recognize as a genius, was talking of military intelligence, his definition seems to apply to just about every human activity.

Sale of Liquor Banned On Posts, Stimson Tells Churchmen

In a letter to a New York churchman this week, Sec. of War Stimson suggested that individuals and organizations interested in the welfare of soldiers encourage local civic groups to aid in removing "the undesirable conditions so often found at the borders of military reservations."

Sec. Stimson pointed out that much misinformation relative to activities in the training camps has been circulated. He was addressing Carlyle T. Boynton of the First Methodist Church, Batavia, N. Y., who made inquiry about the situation.

"War Department regulations and instructions have, for many years, prohibited the sale of or dealing in intoxicating liquors on any premises used for military purposes," the letter read. "Beverages containing one-half of 1 per cent or more alcohol by volume and not more than 3.2 per cent of alcohol by weight are not deemed intoxicating."

"It is beyond the power of the War Department to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors outside of military areas."

"It is suggested that individuals and organizations interested in the welfare of the Army lend aid and encouragement to their local civic organizations and assist them in removing the undesirable conditions so often found at the borders of military reservations, and supplying instead facilities wherein the men may find wholesome recreation for their off-duty hours."

Our Apologies to 'The Regular'

The article, "Less Exercise for the Right Arm" which appeared on Page 1 of an ARMY TIMES recent edition, was written exclusively for the REGULAR, official organ of the Regular Veterans' Association, by Carl Gardner, National Commander of that organization.

At the time we published the article, ARMY TIMES and the REGULAR were printed in the same shop. Through an error in the composing room, the article on saluting was published without proper permission from the Regular Veterans' Association.

Apologies are hereby tendered for our appropriation of the excellent story.

Getting Home for Christmas



Enright in Miami

Greetings to the Army Schools

Brig. Gen. R. L. Eichelberger, Superintendent, United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.:

To all officers, cadets, enlisted men and civilian personnel of the command, most cordial wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Brig. Gen. Edmund L. Gruber, Commandant, Command and General Staff School, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.:

At this Christmas season, I take pleasure in expressing to you and your command my sincere appreciation of the good work that has been done and to extend to each one of you my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Brig. Gen. Dawson Olmstead, Commanding Fort Monmouth, N. J.:

I wish to extend the season's greetings to all military and civilian personnel of this command and their families, and to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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Brig. Gen. Gerald C. Brant, Commandant, Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center, Randolph Field, Tex.:

At this Holiday Season it seems appropriate to extend to all the personnel of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center and to the personnel of the civilian flying schools under jurisdiction of this headquarters the season's greetings and best wishes for the calendar year 1941.

It seems obvious that this coming year will bring increased burdens of work and responsibilities to everyone connected with the expanded training program. It is also certain that if the same devotion to duty, the same willingness to work overtime, the same enthusiasm and efficiency that has been displayed during the past year is carried over through the coming year, there can be no doubt as to the ability of the Gulf Coast Air Corps Training Center to meet its share of the national defense program.

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Brig. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, Commandant, Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.:

With the approach of the Holiday Season, I extend to the officers and enlisted men of the Infantry School and to the troops associated with it, my best wishes and my grateful appreciation of their unselfish response to the many demands made upon them during the past year. The expansion of the Infantry School has required many extra hours of work and increased effort for every officer and man of this command. I thank all for their generous cooperation in furthering the important training mission of the Infantry School during the year now closing.

Officers of All Components Are Uniformly Designated

The old phrase "this man's Army" was given a boost at mid-week by another move by the War Department in its plan to boil the military down to a "one Army" basis.

The latest move, involving uniformity in the wearing of insignia by officers, was aimed at eliminating distinctions between officers in the several components of the Army. All Army officers—including Reserve and NG officers on active duty—will hereafter wear the same insignia and be designated in official papers in the same manner. In a word, the new regulations prescribe that Reserve and National Guard officers in Federal service wear the same insignia as Regular Army officers in the same arm or service.

The new regulations provide also that in official papers only the rank of the officer, whether temporary or permanent, and the branch, arm or service to which he is assigned, will be designated.

Hereafter, for example, a captain in the Infantry, whether National Guard or Reserve, assigned to the

21st Inf., will prepare the legend and low his signature as follows:

John Doe,

Captain, 21st Infantry.

And so on through the other arms and services. Some special cases are noted as follows:

Permanent Regular Army officers of the line are appointed to the Regular Army of the United States, without designation of arm or service. Indications of their grade will be followed by "United States Army." They will wear the "US" and "Service" insignia.

Chiefs and assistant chiefs of arm and services are appointed for a period of four years. The designation of arm or service follows the grade, and they wear the insignia pertaining to their arm or service in addition to the "US" and the "Service" insignia.

All temporary Regular Army officers are appointed and commissioned in the Army of the United States without designation of arm or service. The assignment of a temporary general officer will determine his designation and insignia.

Greetings from the Governors of the Several States

Honorable Frank M. Dixon, Governor of Alabama:
I not send through the columns of your paper a message of good will to the soldiers of the American Army, particularly those from the State of Alabama on this Christmas occasion. Tomorrow that lies ahead is of uncertainty. None of us are to foresee what it may bring. Of one fact we are certain—we are a country who love peace fully and now that our only hope of peace lies in the strength of the American bayonets.

As you spend this Christmas away from your loved ones at home, we have you know that our thoughts are of you; and we would give you this assurance: should peace come to war, Alabama will stand with you with its every resource.

Honorable Raymond E. Baldwin, Governor of Connecticut:
Connecticut extends to her sons in the United States Army her very warm wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. She is happy and proud that her sons in this generation carry on the glorious tradition of service and loyalty to country as did her sons of old.

Honorable Fred P. Cone, Governor of Florida:
Christmas of 1940 is one that few will ever forget. You boys who are away from home for the first time will remember it for that reason. You will probably be wondering what the folks at home are doing, and the folks will be wondering what you are doing.

It will be a Merry Christmas, for we have ample reason to rejoice, but there will be a touch of sadness, too, because you are absent from the festivities at home. We want you to know that while we miss you, we are proud that you are wearing the uniform of a soldier; and you are one of Florida's representatives in our country's great army.

The words "Peace on earth and good will toward men" mean more today than they have since the first World War. All of us are praying that the madmen of Europe will not threaten our security, but we know that greed and lust for power know no boundaries and recognize no moral restraint. "Peace on earth" can be enjoyed only by the people of those nations which are strong enough to maintain peace.

You boys from Florida are an important part of the strength of our nation. We pray that you may never be forced to use the weapons you carry; but should the time come when you are called upon to meet the enemies who seek to destroy that we hold dear, we know that the knowledge that you are fighting for God, for Country, and for your homes at home who love you and who depend upon your strength for their protection will give you courage for victory.

We are not repeating an old, trite phrase, for it is with deep feeling, that we say, "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You All."

Honorable John Stelle, Governor of Illinois:
Illinois is proud of its sons in the United States Army and confident they will at all times uphold the state's finest military traditions. I am glad to send hearty official and personal Christmas greetings and wishes to every officer and man from Illinois.

The Honorable M. Clifford Townsend, Governor of Indiana:
It is a great privilege to be able to send the heartfelt Christmas Greetings of the State of Indiana to the personnel of the United States Army.

Every American citizen is profoundly grateful to the officers and soldiers of the Army for their very real contributions to national defense and the preservation of the American way of life.

We send our special, neighborly greetings to the fine young men from Indiana now serving in the Army. We are very proud of them.

The Honorable Payne Ratner, Governor of Kansas:
Through this Christmas issue of The Army Times, as a World War veteran and as governor of my state, I wish to extend best wishes for the holiday season to every Kansan in Army service. In doing so, I know that I speak for the people of a state thoroughly conscious of the part Kansans play in our national defense.

During every great emergency of the past, our state has responded to every demand with unselfish patriotism. During the World War, 29,000 Kansans volunteered for service. To a man, from the privates up to ranking officers, Kansans proved to be good soldiers, able and efficient—often heroic. It is notable that Kansas was able to furnish seven general officers for that war, perhaps the greatest list of military leaders to be found in the annals of any one state.

As this is written, thousands of our National Guardsmen are being inducted into federal service, and others will receive military training through selective service.

To every Kansan who wears the uniform of his country, I send greetings. May the best of luck be with you.

The Honorable Keen Johnson, Governor of Kentucky:
For the first time in many years the eyes of the citizens of this Commonwealth are focused upon the men and boys in uniform who are diligently preparing to defend our country against any emergency. Ours is one of the few nations in the world which will celebrate a peaceful Christmas and we are therefore humbly grateful to those men who form the first line of defense behind which we feel secure.

May I extend to each and every one of them my sincerest best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Honorable Leverett Saltonstall, Governor of Massachusetts:
It is my pleasure at this season to extend to you the greetings of the Commonwealth, to which my own personal best wishes are added. This year the world offers few places in which the spirit of peace on earth, good-will towards men prevails on Christmas day. To you who are serving your country goes the gratitude of your state and nation. May we valiantly carry on your tradition to the end that peace may thrive again upon the earth and the spirit of brotherhood bring a gentler world in which to dwell.

May you have a Happy Christmas and may the New Year bring you a generous measure of peace and contentment.

The Honorable Luren D. Dickinson, Governor of Michigan:
It makes me very happy as Governor of Michigan to extend to you my sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

At this season when all of us long to be close to those we love, you are far from your homes, in the service of your country. I am glad to join with the citizens of Michigan in forwarding to all of you our Christmas message of good cheer.

It is my earnest hope that peace may come to the world through the power of Almighty God, and that His guiding hand may return you safely to us, untouched and unharmed by the horrors of combat. I fervently pray that the homes of our people may not be saddened and darkened by the sorrow and the anxiety, which comes with war.

May God bless you all and keep you.

The Honorable Paul B. Johnson, Governor of Mississippi:
Developments have justified every step in the farsighted defense program inaugurated by President Roosevelt in 1933.

World conditions demand that we be alert to ward off dangers from without. Our willingness to prepare and to sacrifice will be determined by the value we place upon what we have to defend.

Our nation was founded upon the principles enunciated by the Prince of Peace. The challenging message of the Christmas Season is "Peace on earth to men of good will." In all sincerity, I extend this greeting to you and join you in proclaiming it to all men everywhere who are willing to receive it.

The Honorable Francis P. Murphy, Governor of New Hampshire:
To the spirit of cheeriness, peace and good will that warms your hearts this gay Yuletide Season, let me, in the name of New Hampshire, add my earnest hope that your holiday may be filled with every joy and the New Year prove rich in blessings. May God bless and keep you and those you love, now and always. Men of our Army, stalwart defenders of our great Nation, we salute you.

The Honorable A. Harry Moore, Governor of New Jersey:
To New Jersey members of the United States Army standing guard over the welfare of the nation everywhere, I salute your patriotism and bravery and extend to you hearty Christmas Greetings.

The fine spirit of sacrifice which has featured United States Army service since the Colonial Congress first authorized a small force of riflemen to serve the United Colonies on June 14, 1775, down to the present day, has continually won the plaudits of the nation's citizens.

Down through the years the United States Army has jealously guarded this great nation, carefully watching over venturesome pioneers pushing steadily into a rich wilderness; nurturing great ambitions upon which large cities sprang from the earth, and standing as a great bulwark against the ambitions of invading nations.

Today the fast-growing United States Army again provides unequalled protection against the marching hordes of another continent. Each individual member is a living surety against the age-old prediction that war comes to the nation that is not prepared for it. I again commend your fine spirit of patriotism and

bravery and extend the season's greetings.

The Honorable John E. Miles, Governor of New Mexico:
On behalf of the people of New Mexico, I am happy to extend my greetings to the various services of the U. S. Army, and particularly to those New Mexicans who are serving their country in the Army's several branches.

May the Christmas season be brimful of happiness, good cheer and good will.

The Honorable Herbert H. Lehman, Governor of New York:
I am happy to extend my Christmas Greetings to the men of New York State who are now in training in the armed forces of the United States Government.

The Honorable Clyde R. Hoey, Governor of North Carolina:
I wish to extend cordial Christmas greetings to all the soldiers in the Army, but especially to the men from North Carolina. The State is proud of you. It is a source of gratification to know that North Carolina had more voluntary enlistments in the Army and Navy between January 1st and October 1st than any State in the Union in proportion to population, and more than any State, regardless of population, except two.

The North Carolina soldiers have always sustained the high traditions of the State, and I salute the gallant representatives of our State who are now serving in the Army and bring you the assurance of wholehearted appreciation of the three and a half million people of North Carolina. I wish for you a very happy Christmas Season and health and security in the days ahead.

The Honorable John Moses, Governor of North Dakota:
To many of you, this will be your first Christmas season away from home and the people you love. With that thought in mind, I wish to extend to you the holiday greetings from our citizens over the entire state. I know that I speak for each and every one when I say we are proud of the manner in which you answered your country's call.

The Honorable John W. Bricker, Governor of Ohio:
This Christmas of 1940 will be epochal in the lives of these men who have answered the nation's call for national defense. I know they will render devoted and faithful service no matter what the problems may be that confront them.

In behalf of all the citizens of Ohio I want to convey to Ohio servicemen, wherever they may be on Christmas, the warmest greetings of the Yuletide season and assurances that all Ohio is with them and not unmindful of the sacrifices they are making.

The Honorable Harlan J. Bushfield, Governor of South Dakota:
To all the men of South Dakota in the Military and Naval Service of the United States:
To you who are giving largely of your time, health and energy for the defense of this country and have sacrificed as only a soldier can, I want to send greetings from South Dakota.

In every generation of American history men have gone forth in the defense of our country as you are doing today. While this is not war, yet it may become war. I know, as you know, that you are preparing for the greatest duty for which a citizen can be called.

South Dakota is proud of you and I wish for each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a safe return home.

The Honorable Prentice Cooper, Governor of Tennessee:
Tennesseans are responding with their customary alacrity in the current national emergency, and as Governor of Tennessee I congratulate our young men who have the honor of being at this time in the service of our country, who are maintaining the traditions of those noted soldiers of other days—John Sevier, Andrew Jackson, Sam Houston, Alvin York—and all Tennesseans believe that you will reflect further credit and glory upon the "Volunteer State."

The Honorable George D. Aiken, Governor of Vermont:
To the boys from Vermont who are serving in the Army I extend my greetings for a Merry Christmas.

The Honorable James H. Price, Governor of Virginia:
I am happy to extend Christmas Greetings to all Virginians now serving in the Army of the United States. We are proud of them and grateful for the contribution they are making towards the nation's preparedness to remain at peace by being prepared to defend its rights.

The response of Virginians to the call to service in the Army has been most gratifying to the Governor of Virginia. Patriotism is still alive in America and in that knowledge we face whatever the future may hold for us, unalarmed and confident of a favorable outcome.

The Honorable Julius P. Heil, Governor of Wisconsin:
Wisconsin sends sincere greetings to its soldiers who are today serving without the confines of our state. We want you to know that we miss you. We want you to know that we are proud of you. We want you to know that America is depending upon you to protect the rights of free men. Wishing all of you a Merry Christmas and health and happiness for the coming year.

The Honorable Homer A. Holt, Governor of West Virginia:
I am pleased to have the opportunity of extending, through the Army Times, my greetings to all West Virginians now in the Army of the United States.

I am satisfied that we can best have peace through preparedness and I am gratified that the response from West Virginians in the preparedness program has been so generous. I extend to our West Virginians now in the military service my hearty greetings and best wishes for the approaching holiday season.

The Honorable Nels H. Smith, Governor of Wyoming:
I am very grateful for the opportunity to greet the soldiers of America and especially the men and boys in the service from our own beloved State of Wyoming. I congratulate America on the type of citizens who comprise the army, and I think it especially appropriate at this time to congratulate all of our people upon being citizens of America, a land where we may not only look forward to a joyful season of Christmas holidays, but can actually prepare for it which is something impossible across the big pond.

Greetings Which Arrived Late Will Be Published Dec. 28

Area To Be Doubled New Land Options

FT. GEORGE MEADE, Md.—This reservation will be almost doubled in area through the addition of 6,500 acres on its southwestern boundary. It provides needed maneuvering space for the 25,000 troops to be trained here. The Army has obtained options on 160 parcels of land at an aggregate cost of approximately \$10,000 for the expansion. The post now embraces 7,470 acres.

Motor Accident Takes Lives of 2 Privates

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Pfc. Sellers, Gallups, 26, Bty. B, 42d FA, of Benning, died Monday from injuries received late Sunday night in an accident on the highway near Pelika, Ala., in which Pvt. William Singleton, 24, of the same battery, was killed instantly. A heavy fog, the two, riding on a highway, the privately owned motor vehicle, collided with an automobile which MP's said was driven by Walter Meadows, Jr., colored, who was killed. Gallup died at an Opelika hospital. Both bodies were brought to Benning Monday morning.

Locomotive Used As Furnace to Heat Dix Hospital

FORT DIX, N. J.—Nothing stumps the boys at Fort Dix when they run into a situation that taxes man's ingenuity to the hilt. Delay in the delivery of boilers for a new 1,000-bed hospital unit put some keen minds to thinking how in heck can you heat a building without boilers.

The question didn't go unanswered for long. Some bright lad thought of a locomotive. Yes, a steam engine. Why not? If it can supply enough steam to pull a line of freight cars, it ought to supply enough to heat a building.

Post authorities went into action. The Pennsylvania Ry. Co. said sure, we'll lend you an old engine. Then a detail was put to work laying 1,200 feet of track from the Dix station to the hospital. Sans drive shafts, the Iron Horse was shoved into place and connected with the building steam pipes, and the newly laid tracks were hastily torn up.

Presto, the hospital is ready to care for the sick. The set-up, of course, is only temporary.

Salvation Army Band Plays For Soldiers at Chanute

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—Recognizing the average soldier's liking for music, the Salvation Army territorial staff band has been giving concerts at intervals for the men of this post. The 32-piece band headquarters is in Chicago, and is directed by Adj. Douglas Norris.

The band makes no charge for admission. Instead, the official publication of the SA, the "War Cry," is distributed at whatever amount the men wish to give. The proceeds are added to the SA's Christmas fund for needy children.

Selfridge Field Pilots Continue Plane Tests

SELFLEDGE FIELD, Mich.—Tests on the new P-39 Airacobra pursuit planes are continuing at Patterson Field, Dayton, O., with four pilots from the 1st Pursuit Group, Selfridge Field, taking turns at the controls.

The test officers are Capt. Jack W. Hickman and 1st Lt. Robert M. Caldwell of the 94th, and 2d Lts. P. G. Moore and Ward W. Harker, 27th Sqdn.

Series of New Courses Planned for Officers At Holabird School

A series of refresher courses of two months duration is to be established for NG and Res. officers at Holabird Depot, Baltimore, Md., beginning Jan. 2, the War Dept. announced this week. The present one-month refresher course for Res. officers at the QM Motor Transport School at the depot is to be the last of that duration.

The second longer period course will get under way Mar. 3 and the third, May 1. For the class that will commence the new course Jan. 2, the following quotas were set: one officer from each corps area; three from the 1st Army and two each from the 2d, 3d and 4th Armies, making a total of 18 officers.

For the subsequent courses, the quotas will be: one officer from each Corps Area; 10 from the 1st Army; eight from the 2d Army; 16 from the 3d Army, and seven from the 4th Army.

Students will be selected from NG and Res. officer personnel recently brought into Federal service or to extended active duty, or such officers as are about to be brought to

27th Div. Commander Plans Xmas Party for Kiddies

FT. MCLELLAN, Ala.—A Christmas party for the children of officers, enlisted men and civilians at this camp will be given by Maj. Gen. and Mrs. William N. Haskell. Each of 260 invited guests will receive a gift.

Some of the Christmas festivities will be held in the camp's large tent theater. The Friends of the 27th Division, Inc., a group headed by Thomas J. Watson, president of the International Business Machines Co., has donated \$1,000 for equipping the theater with a stage and amplifying system for the party.

Gen. Wilby Inspects First Army in South

NEW YORK—Brig. Gen. Francis B. Wilby, Chief of Staff of the First Army, left Governors Island early this week for an inspection tour of 1st Army troops training in the South.

active duty status. Half of the quotas for the second and third courses may be selected from other than QMC officers, at the discretion of Army and Corps Area commanders.

War Department for Defense

Many soldiers perhaps have not considered the fact they are carrying on their patriotic defense work under the third ranking department of the executive branch of the Federal Government—the War Department. It ranks after State and Treasury Departments. The purposes and functions of the War Department vitally affect the safety and security of every citizen of the United States.

Although the problem of national defense arose at the very beginning of our country, even back in the days of the Continental Congress (1775), there was a deep aversion on the part of the people toward maintaining a standing Army. In the face of this and other difficulties, Congress was obliged to assume the functions of a civil government and to organize and carry on the war for defense. Trouble with the mother country, England, and with the Indians forced the colonies to unite and organize for common protection.

In those early days, Congress appointed committees for war, just as it does today, but it refused to give them any power. George Washington often found it impossible to keep an Army in the field. Notwithstanding the many obstacles that confronted the Army, its indomitable spirit prevailed and the Revolutionary War was successfully ended.

In the meantime, the War organization underwent many changes. When the war committees failed, boards of war were appointed. Yet Congress itself continued to direct all military affairs until these boards became powerless.

At the conclusion of the war, Congress resolved to create a Department of War whose chairman should be called the Secretary of War. Under the leadership of General Henry Knox, the department became well established. The new Department of War established when our new republic arose out of our revolution was organized on a similar basis and the former Secretary of War was retained.

At the time the present Federal Government was established under the Constitution, President Washington in his first annual address to the Congress said:

"Among the many interesting objects that will engage your attention, that of providing for the common defense will merit particular regard. To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace."

Washington and Defense
In 1789, Congress passed a law providing for an executive department to be known as "The Department of War." It was stipulated that the Secretary of War should perform such duties as should be entrusted to him by the President.

At its beginning, the War Department included the functions of the Department of the Navy and the Interior. The department was small and its duties comparatively few. The Regular Army that was recruited to defend our then small nation (which had a population about the same as that of the national capital today) was composed of only a few hundred men. The common defense at that time was taken care of chiefly by state militias.

Among the many changes in the military set-up since those early days was the creation of two new departments—Navy and Interior. Other changes attending the growth of the nation however, have increased the responsibilities of the Secretary of War.

Organization of the present military establishment—now undergoing expansion—is in compliance with the war program set up by Congress in the National Defense Act of June 3, 1916, as amended by various other acts, including that of June 4, 1920. The latter act provides that the Army of the United States shall consist of the Regular Army, the National Guard while in the service of the United States, and the Organized Reserves, including the Officers Reserve Corps.

These three components constitute in peacetime a framework on which a great national Army of well-trained men can be built. The Act provides also for civilian cooperation in industry and maintaining and filling up this framework through military

training in schools, colleges and summer camps.

Responsibility Defined

The War Department is charged with the responsibility of organizing, training and maintaining the Army at all times along lines defined by Congress, and with certain non-military activities such as River and Harbor Improvements; prevention of obstructions to navigation; building of bridges over navigable waterways; preservation and protection of navigable waterways for the utilization of hydro-electric energy, and the maintenance of the Panama Canal; care and maintenance of national cemeteries; furnishing headstones for the graves of ex-service men of all the uniformed services, and disposition of the remains of deceased military and CCC personnel.

The Army is proud of its peacetime record and the nation has never been defeated in war. Soldiers and civilian employees of the military establishments are a part of the most vital entity of our national life today.

The War Department today, just as in the Colonial era, is looking to peace, but is following the maxim of George Washington, that in preparing for defense we can best attain peace.

Cavalry Chief



NEW commander of the 3rd Cavalry at Fort Riley, Kan., is Brig. Gen. Terry de la M. Allen, who was recently transferred from Fort Bliss, Tex., for the purpose. —Signal Corps Photo

Us, Too, Venus

COLUMBIA CITY, Ind.—The average American soldier has a waist measure of about 36 inches and the QM orders more of that size than any other. A recent War Department contract for 600,000 pairs of blue denim trousers placed with a Columbia City firm called for sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 44, with more of the 36 size being ordered than any other.

58 Officers Finish Army Courses

Fifty-eight Army officers were among the 75 Regular and Reserve officers of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps graduated this week from the Army Industrial College in Washington. Exercises were held in the auditorium of the Public Health Service Building.

The principal address was delivered by Hon. Robert P. Patterson, assistant Secretary of War. He also presented the diplomas. Patterson was introduced by Lt. Col. J. E. Lewis, commandant of the college. Besides the Army graduates were 15 Navy officers and two from the Marine Corps.

A second special course for nearly 100 officers of the three military branches will open Jan. 2 and run until Apr. 4. The college, under supervision of the Assistant Secretary of War, educates commissioned personnel to meet the statutory requirements imposed by the National Defense Act upon the Assistant Secretary. These duties require the training of officers for duty in connection with procurement planning, the supervision of procurement both in peace and war, and planning for industrial mobilization, the wartime utilization of national resources and economic warfare.

Army officers graduating today included:

Arthur E. Allen, Maj., QM Res.; Eugene E. Allwine, Maj., Spec. Res.; Irwin Stewart Amberg, Capt., Air Res.; Lawrence C. Ames, Capt., Air Res.

Charles F. Baish, Maj., C. E.; Patrick H. Barnes, Lt. Col., QM Res.; William H. Bisnoff, Maj., CW Res.; Everett E. Broadbent, Maj., QM Res.

Frank A. Cerruti, Maj., Air Res.; Wilbur J. Chamberlin, Maj., Sig. Res.; Samuel F. Clabaugh, Maj., Spec. Res.; George O. Crom, Maj., Spec. Res.

Charles M. Daniel, Capt., Spec. Res.; Arthur H. Denison, Maj., Spec. Res.; Thomas A. Doxey, Jr., Capt., CWS.

Henry M. Etnerline, Maj., CW Res.; Jackson K. Fairchild, Maj., Sig. Res.

Hobart R. Gay, Lt. Col., QMC. Edward Gluck, Maj., Ord. Res. Andrew W. Hamilton 3d, Capt., Ord. Res.; James S. Harvel, Capt., Eng. Res.; Carroll D. Hudson, Maj., Ord. Res.; William H. Hutchinson, Capt., QM Res.

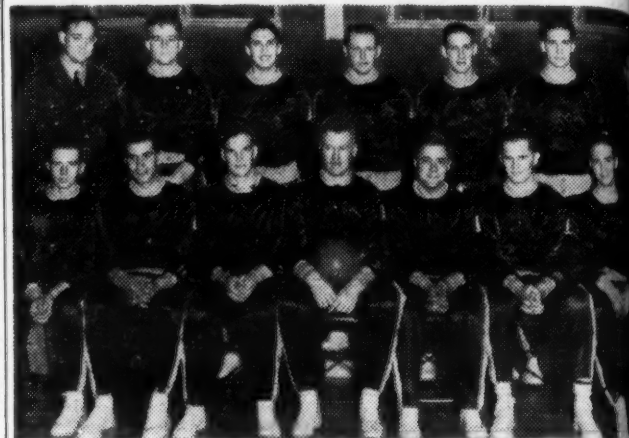
William A. Kraus, Capt., Eng. Res. John G. Llewellyn, Capt., QM Res.; Clarence B. Lober, Lt. Col., AC; Ernest L. Lucas, Lt. Col., Ord. Res. William E. McIntosh, Capt., Ord. Res.; Owen M. Marshburn, Lt. Col., QMC; Elmo S. Mathews, Capt., (SC) OD; Henry R. McKenzie, Capt., QMC; Samuel S. Metzger, Capt., Air Res.; Claude B. Mickelwait, Maj., JAGD.

L. Bonneville Neis, Lt. Col., QM Res.

Joseph F. O'Brien, Maj., QM Res. Howard S. Paddock, Maj., SC; Glenn M. Pike, Maj., Air Res.; Philip H. Porter Jr., Capt., QM Res.; Loren W. Potter, Maj., QM Res.

Nathan J. Roberts, Capt., JAG Res.; Charles H. Roe, Maj., Eng. Res. Henry M. Sachs, Maj., Ord. Res.; Carl T. Schmidt, Capt., Inf. Res.; Ralph C. Scott, Ord. Res.; Eugene V. Slatery, Capt., JAG Res.; Junius R. Smith, Maj., QM Res.; Theodore R. Snyder, Maj., Ord. Res.; Edward V.

Hoopsters Flying High



PICKED from Langley Field's 8,000 men, this group is the best of the crop of basketball beef-eaters there. In its second game season the team took the Virginia AAU champions, Roanoke Business College, for a 48-38 ride. Left to right, seated: Pfc. McPeck, jr., W. J. Zaza; Cpl. W. A. Babington; 2nd Lt. Craig; Pfc. J. C. Minnick, Pvt. Joseph Sokol and Sgt. J. W. Yim. Top row: Chaplain Charles Carpenter, 2nd Lt. Lyman Eddy, Maurice Davis, Frank Kwiatkowski, Roy Stahl, jr., Daniel O'Lin and the coach, Sgt. Joe Easley. —Army Air Corps

Greetings from Chiefs of Arms and Services

Maj. Gen. J. K. Herr, Chief of Cavalry:

The Chief of Cavalry extends Christmas greetings to all true cavalymen. We approach the new year with renewed faith in our modernized Cavalry. At long last it is beginning to be understood what modern cavalry is and what it can do. I look forward to our future with complete assurance.

Maj. Gen. Walter C. Baker, Chief of the Chemical Warfare Service:

I am pleased to take advantage of the Christmas issue of Army Times to express through its columns my sincere good wishes to all officers, enlisted men and civilian employees of the Chemical Warfare Service of the Army for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Maj. Gen. R. M. Danford, Chief of Field Artillery, Washington, D. C.:

I am glad of the opportunity through the medium of the Army Times to extend to all officers and enlisted men of the Field Artillery my best wishes for a happy holiday season and for a New Year that may bring pride and satisfaction in duties well performed.

Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, the Judge Advocate General:

To all judge advocates, Regular and Reserve, and to the thousands of other officers and enlisted men who, year after year, assist in the administration of military justice, I send my best wishes for a pleasant holiday season and for success throughout 1941.

Maj. Gen. John F. Williams, Chief of the National Guard Bureau, Washington, D. C.:

As Chief of the National Guard Bureau, and on behalf of all the National Guard, I appreciate the opportunity to extend to the Army of the United States and to all its components wherever they may be, all heartiest good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a profitable New Year. The birth of the New Year coincides with the birth of a new Army which we hope will be bigger, better and stronger than any Army in existence. This

will be the best assurance that our nation, American people, will likewise be permitted to peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Maj. Gen. E. B. Gregory, the Quartermaster General:

Through the courtesy of the Editor, I am able to extend to the officers and men of the Quartermaster General's Department my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I feel that, in the gigantic task that confronts us this time, I have the full support and cooperation of each member of the fine body of men comprising the Quartermaster's Corps. This is very heartening to me, as without teamwork we could not hope to discharge successfully the many and diversified responsibilities with which we are charged in connection with the national program.

In order that there should be no slowing up of the program, it has been necessary for many of us to work long hours of overtime. I am deeply appreciative of this personal sacrifice and wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks and to extend to you my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Maj. Gen. Charles M. Wesson, Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C.:

I extend the Season's Greetings and Best Wishes to a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the personnel of the Ordnance Department and I express my thanks for the splendid manner in which you have carried out your tasks in connection with the expansion of our Armed Forces.

Maj. Gen. J. O. Mauborgne, Chief Signal Officer:

Fully cognizant of the burden of work and responsibility being carried by the Signal Corps and the communication troops of all arms incident to the expansion of our defense forces, and confident of your ability, initiative, and determination to meet those responsibilities to the fullest degree, I wish to express my appreciation of your loyal efforts and to extend to all my best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

New Air Base Group At Lawson Field Nearing Quota

FT. BENNING, Ga.—The 62d Air Base Group, activated Dec. 1, at Lawson Field here, is progressing rapidly toward its authorized strength of 479 enlisted men and 24 officers. Capt. Fred S. Stocks is commandant of the unit.

The organization already has a strength of 102 enlisted men, nine officers. Early last month the 35th Air Base Group, then based at Barksdale Field, La., was scheduled for station at Lawson Field under later orders it was transferred to Hunter Field, Savannah, Ga.

Primary duties of the new group at Benning are to take over the transportation at Lawson, personnel for base operations (type and dispatching), operation of the Air Corps station supply depot, parachute rigging as one of the form a photographic section. The 62d was constituted under Air Corps plan to form new groups in the United States from cadre from which it was drawn from the 16th Air Observation Sqdn. and an Air Detachment stationed at Lawson Field. Lt. Col. Warner B. commander of AC troops and operations at Lawson Field, has been named as commander of the group's activation.

When the organization is complete the group will consist of a Sqdn., for administration, under command of 1st Lt. Orville Price; a materiel Sqdn., which will handle transportation, engineering, maintenance and supply, under command of Capt. Herbert B. Thatch; an Air Base Sqdn., to handle changes and heavy engineering, commander named yet.

Armored School Rises On One-Time Swamp In Three Months

FT. KNOX, Ky.—On a spot that three months ago was a mud-hole and weed patch, a spick and span school for the new armored forces has been built at this reservation, and already 60 officers and 800 enlisted men are training at the institution. That's Army-expansion speed in 1940.

The men are studying the complexities of communications apparatus that enables hundreds of tanks to operate as a unit on a battlefield. In some of the wooden school buildings, the students are mastering tank engine problems and treads. Others are learning the tricks of military motorcycle handling.

The students started their courses as soon as they could find walls and roofs up and the construction work is going ahead all around them. Lt. Col. Stephen H. Henry, director of the school, said that by Feb. 1 "we expect to introduce mass production in education." It is planned to operate the school in double shifts, graduating 500 men a week.

Donations for Equipment To Carry On Athletics At Shelby Requested

COLUMBUS, Ohio—Ohio citizens have been asked by Gov. John W. Bricker to make cash donations for purchase of athletic equipment for National Guard troops now training at Camp Shelby, Miss. The governor led off with a personal contribution of \$50.

The appeal was made after Gov. Bricker received a letter from Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler, commanding the troops, informing him that the men were in need of much athletic paraphernalia. Citizens were asked to send their donations direct to Gen. Beightler.

Annual Christmas Hunt At Benning Under Way

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Army horsemen here have been practicing early and late for the 1940 Hunter Trials, which got under way this afternoon. This is an annual Christmas season event of the Infantry School Hunt.

Members of the club drew for their mounts. Private mounts entered were ridden by their owners or members of their immediate families. Events scheduled included the Weems Bottom, open to working hunters; the Masters Plate, open to members of the Hunt staff on regularly assigned mounts, and the Kelley Hill, open to teams of three.

Will Use Gas for Protection, Experts Say

The Chemical Warfare Service is expected to use gas only as a defense weapon unless Germany or Britain begin using it offensively. If that happens, officials said, the question of U. S. policy will be quickly decided.

An announcement followed the statements of chemical officers to the four field armies—Col. Shekerjian to the 1st Army, Adeline Gibson to the 2nd, Col. Montgomery to the 3rd and Frederick R. Garcin to the 4th. The announcement followed the statement that so far as the United States is concerned the military use of gas is outlawed. Principal action of the Chemical Warfare Service is to develop methods of detecting the Army if an enemy uses it.

Commenting on the absence of gas in the present war, Army authorities said they believed both Germany and Britain were reluctant to start using it because of the human populations within the command zones. Both nations are known to have great quantities of various gases. Britain has huge supplies of gas on hand, one official chemical warfare experts declared.

Any gas use would be by virtually the same tactics as in World War I. Greater use of airplanes, however, would vary these tactics.

Soldiers Get Parkas (Only)



BLONDE Gertrude Peterson doesn't go with the coats, which are being shipped to Army troops in Alaska. She'll stay in Seattle. The parkas are made of muskrat and wolf skins, guaranteed to keep out Arctic cold.

—Army Times-Acme Photo

Greetings to the Armored Forces

Maj. Gen. Bruce Magruder, Commanding First Armored Division, Fort Knox, Ky.:

To each and every member of the 1st Armored Division—

My personal greetings, and good wishes for a Happy Christmas. May the true spirit of the day strengthen us all for the coming year.

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Maj. Gen. Charles L. Scott, Acting Commanding General Armored Forces, Fort Knox, Ky.:

On behalf of the Chief of the Armored Force, Maj. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee and myself, as the acting Chief during his illness, I wish to extend to all ranks Greetings of the Season.

Organized only six months ago, the Armored Force has made remarkable progress in organization, training, and the development of a highly

Greetings to GHQ Air Force

Lt. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, Commanding G. H. Q. Air Force, Langley Field, Va.:

To the officers and men of the GHQ Air Force I extend my sincerest best wishes. May your Christmas be a happy one and may you enjoy health, happiness, and success in the New Year.

technical component of our Army. We extend our sincere appreciation to the officers and in particular the noncommissioned officers and enlisted men for their earnest efforts and loyal support. You have made possible the attainment of our readiness for field service, a material contribution to our National Defense.

May the New Year enable us, not only to continue our progress, but also to extend it to its full fruition.

Red Cross Program Planned

The Red Cross Detachment of the Army Medical Center in Washington, D. C., sponsored a radio broadcast from Memorial Chapel on the evening of Dec. 21 at which time 50 women singers of the Lovette Club sang "The Shrine of the Star." The program was offered particularly for entertainment of the sick in Walter Reed Hospital and for the benefit of the Command at the medical center.

Airport Project Approved

Authority has been granted for construction of temporary buildings and facilities at the Municipal Airport, Jackson, Miss., to accommodate 2,300 AC troops and personnel from other arms and services. Cost of the project, as announced by the War Dept., will approximate \$1,459,710.

And right on the heels of the second group of cadets another class was being rounded out as the "upperclassmen" pointed their compasses for Stockton, the advanced flying school.

Army Runs Biggest Business in the Country

With \$8,500,000,000 in its cash box, for expenditure during the present fiscal year, the U. S. Army is the new titan of business. In the past half-year it has become an industry overtopping all others in America.

This wealth is being poured out in feverish but ordered haste. Real estate operations involving land equal to the combined areas of Delaware, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts are being made. Cities of continents are springing up overnight. Materials of every sort are being bought in huge quantities.

Out of this avalanche of money and toil, citizens are asking themselves, what benefits are accruing to the nation? In the campaign for military might, what curve of progress is visible? How soon can we expect to have a first-class Army? Where, how and when will it be used?

"Give us one year more and we'll make you an Army!" say the commanders of troops in the field. In many quarters there was doubt that the U. S. would have 12 more months of grace, with England hard-pressed. At headquarters in Washington, however, a more hopeful note was heard. On high authority, the following may be stated as convictions of the War Department General Staff:

500,000 Troops Ready

"By April the United States Army will be equal to any task likely to be placed upon it in the Western Hemisphere, from Newfoundland to the Caribbean, from Alaska to Chile.

Should world events require such a performance, the Army will be ready next Fall to send overseas—whether to Africa, the Mediterranean area or the Far East—an expeditionary force of 500,000 men, fully trained and equipped. In case of emergency the period can be substantially shortened."

Even if the Army never fires a shot at an enemy, according to General George C. Marshall, it will more than pay for itself, whatever the cost. The very fact that it is in being, he declared, gives the U. S. a weight in foreign affairs that cannot possibly be ignored.

"If we had been as well prepared in 1917 as we are today," he said, "we should never have had to enter the first World War. Germany would have made any concession to keep us out."

Twenty-three years ago, artillery officers were sent to the front who

had never fired a battery. Today no artilleryman can obtain a second lieutenant's commission unless he has fired a battery at least 60 times.

Defend Our Shores

As recently as a year ago our divisions existed mostly in name only. During the maneuvers of last May we were able to put two corps into action. Until that time we never had a field army. Today four such field armies are being organized.

But the Army's true expansion will begin next Spring when supplies and men under the Selective Service Act begin thronging in on a large scale.

Officers in the field talk of having to defend Newfoundland and Canada, should the British government move out of England.

But they are first to admit that this is only speculation on their part. Decisions of this nature rest with the government in Washington. All Army officers want to do is to build an Army highly disciplined and trained according to the principles of modern war. Their success, to date, has gratified many a professional observer.

Bomber Makes Fur Fly, Parkas to Ladd Field

OME, Alaska—Army men stationed at Ladd Field, Fairbanks, will properly clothed this winter and Arctic's weather man will have a cooperative time biting through Eskimo parkas, mukluks and other fur articles.

Shipment of such attire was recently delivered by a big Boeing B-29 bomber of the Polar Bear Squadron. The four-motored bomber commanded by Capt. R. S. Freeman, Jr. It was the largest plane that landed here. Cheering Eskimos and townspeople greeted it on the snow-covered landing field.

Any Officer Is Honored

LOS ANGELES—In appreciation of work with the ROTC at Hamilton High School here, Capt. Homer Eaton recently was presented with a sword by Col. Hermon Kobbe, in charge of the ROTC units for the Los Angeles school system. Capt. Eaton has been assigned to duty at Benning, Ga.

Briefs from Panama Dept.

A recognition of the increased importance of the Panama CA command and the Panama Mobile Force, resulting from their enlarged organization and additional equipment, as well as from mounting possibilities of the canal defense outlook, the following commands—

1st Maj. Gen. Sanderford Jarman, Brig. Gen. Walter E. Prosser—were designated by the War Dept. as members of the General Staff Corps:

Panama CA command: Lt. Col. Charles R. Finley, Chief of Staff; Col. Harold P. Detwiler, G-4; and 24 Capt. Lawrence W. Bartlett, G-2, and Capt. Mathew K. Deichmann, G-3.

Panama Mobile Force: Lt. Col. J. William Moore, Chief of Staff; Lt. Col. Walter S. Wood, G-2; Lt. Col. George E. Jacobs, G-4, and Capt. Walter P. Cleland, G-3.

In accordance with a War Dept. directive that all Air Corps officers in the Panama Dept. be instructed in Spanish, a six-months course has been initiated for all officers in the Panama Air Force.

Col. A. H. Gilkeson, Commanding Officer of Albrook Field, has assumed command of the newly activated 12th Pursuit Wing with headquarters also at Albrook Field. This wing now comprises the 16th and 17th Pursuit Groups, under the respective commands of Majors A. L. Clark and Milo Clark; and such other auxiliary troops as are needed for a complete tactical command.

Master Sgt. William A. Wigg, Hqs. Panama Dept. Hqs. at Quarry Heights, retired on Nov. 30 after 30 years of service with the Regular Army. He served in every enlisted grade throughout the noncommissioned grades after his first assignment to Fort Slocum, New York, Dec. 10, 1908. He had previously been a member of the British Royal Volunteer Reserve Corps from 1904 until Nov. 1907, when he came to the United States his home.

Soldiers Schooled By New York Police

NEW YORK—Seventy Military Police from the 1st Division at Fort Hamilton, completed a two-week course of training in metropolitan police work here last week. The instruction was under the New York City Police Department, and was especially designed for military police by Inspector John O'Connell.

Training included instruction in was Chief Clerk of the 89th Div., and served with that outfit from its origin at Camp Funston, Kan., in 1917, to its demobilization in 1919.

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Drum Hits Isolationist in Talk Describing Army's Mobility

NEW YORK.—Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, 1st Army commander, warned isolationists this week that their policy of defending the home shores only "would expose our coastal cities and industries to bombardment and our people to large losses" in the event of war.

Many persons, "prompted by a desire for peace at all honorable costs," he said at a discussion meeting of the National Republican Club, "believe our sole defense mission is to keep war out of the continental United States."

"They believe," he said, "that this can be accomplished by limiting our defense measures to our shore and land frontiers, failing to recognize the ever-increasing range and power of aviation."

General Drum, reviewing the organization of the Army in the past, said that there was "a certain degree of accuracy" in the statement that "the Army was remarkably well organized to fight any number of Indian wars."

The old territorial pattern of organization, he said, has been replaced by an organization plan that contemplates the creation of a mobile

ground force, trained and equipped for prompt service wherever and whenever needed.

"The outstanding lesson in the current warfare," he said, "is that the power of the offensive has been re-established. With it, mobility has returned to the battlefield as a decisive factor."

Nothing could be further from the truth, General Drum declared, that the popular idea that the soldier has become a small cog in the great machine of warfare.

"In fact," he said, "modern mechanized warfare places upon the individual soldier the greatest responsibility any individual ever has undertaken in any war. Individual and small group action in the air and on the ground will establish the criterion for the success of large-scale tactical commands in modern warfare."

Brighter Picture Of Camp Work Is Given

NEW YORK.—A fairly optimistic picture of the defense construction program was given here Thursday by Sec. of War Stimson, who pointed out that work on projects at a number of sites is ahead of schedule.

The War Secretary paid tribute to Brig. Gen. Charles D. Hartman, who got the cantonment program under way and after months of hard work, collapsed and was sent to Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., to recuperate.

Stimson said that of the 30 Regular Army and NG divisions scheduled for training, seven Regular and six Guard units are now occupying their completed quarters. He said that though there have been delays, most of them of short duration, in 25 of the 40 camps being built for Guard troops, several Army housing projects are ahead of schedule. He mentioned especially Ft. Jackson, S. C., which will have ultimately 50,000 men and already is housing the 14,000 men of the 37th Div.

Sec. Stimson disclosed that an addition designed to double the production of the Garand rifle will be completed next week at the Springfield Arsenal. He said the new Dupont Powder plant at Charleston, Ind., also is nearing completion.

Long Bow Drawn At Benning

FT. BENNING, Ga.—The Army has a Robin Hood who scoffs at the idea of carrying a gun while hunting, and sticks to his trusty bow and arrows.

The man who has this distinction is 1st Lt. James I. McCaskill, Ord. Res., 4th Div. He is the only man on this post with a permit to hunt with bow and arrows. For small game he uses a 30 to 60-pound bow, but just now he is practicing with his 100-pound arch, which is suitable for deer and wild hogs.

Lt. McCaskill will help Chaplain Mathias E. Zerfus get his new Archery Club going. Three bows, three dozen arrows, three targets and other equipment have been ordered. A number of archery enthusiasts from the 8th Inf. have applied for charter membership.

Some of the local archery fans here have heard about a Texas rancher, Sayers Farmer, Junction, who has developed the art of deer-hunting with bow and arrow to a fine point, as has Lt. McCaskill. They plan to correspond with this westerner to see if he has any technique they can use in archery. Farmer believes that in this age of modern high-powered weapons it is unsportsmanlike to go after deer with any weapon other than bow and arrow.

Radio 'Bugs' Take Beating



AND IN CASE you haven't heard, a "bug" is the radio key, not the person who operates it. He's called a dum-ditty. These are members of the 30th Signal Co. at Camp Jackson, S. C.

—Signal Corps Photo

28,739 Reservists Expected To be Called by Feb. 15

In an effort to get into the military service as many trained men as possible pending the induction of additional National Guardsmen and Selectees, the War Department is rounding up 28,739 members of the Regular Army's Enlisted Reserve. Mobilization of these men is expected to be completed by the middle of February.

The call, issued late last week, pointed out that the additional trained men were needed to aid in seasoning the thousands of recruits now being inducted, and those to come into the Federal service in the months ahead.

All of the Reserves are former en-

listed men who hold honorable discharges from the Army. Reservists with dependents will be exempt from duty, the order stipulated. Those called will be ordered to active duty in increments as prescribed by the nine Corps Area commanders. Regular Army Reservists, who are exempt from the call because of dependency or because of their holding key positions in essential industries, will be discharged from the Reserve.

Reservists of the Air Corps, Medical Corps and tank units of Infantry and Cavalry, will be assigned to units of their own arm of service. Others will be allotted to Corps area commanders for assignment to various troop units.

Strength of the Reserves in the various arms are: Inf., 10,066; CA, 3,888; FA, 3,689; AC, 2,674; Cav., 1,352; Inf. tanks, 1,024; Eng. Cps., 1,024; QMC, 1,620; and Med. Cps., 1,607. Other branches of the service have less than 1,000 men each.

An example of the general demand for more trained men to bolster training cadres and nuclei is seen in the situation at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., where the 2d Triangular Inf. Div., considered one of the very best trained in the Army, has a force of men with a three-fourths recruit strength. And most of these recruits have had no more than three months' training. In addition to that situation at Ft. Sam Houston, and elsewhere, many trained men have been transferred to other divisions to help in the training program.

The Regular Army Reserve was established in 1938. Members receive \$2 a month and, in addition, there is a cash allowance of \$3 for each month they have been members of the Reserve. The maximum allowance for this is \$150, which is paid if and when they are called back to active service.

Sewer Lines Rehabilitated

CAMP UPTON, N. Y.—WPA workmen have completed approximately 20,000 lineal feet of sewage main construction that involved rehabilitation of lines that had remained idle since the World War.

Gen. Marshall Stresses Air Strategy

"The Caribbean theatre," the cross-roads of Pan-American relations, "is not only our critical area of defense geographically, but is an ideal center for the conduct of air defense."

In making this declaration Tuesday evening at the National Aeronautics Association dinner in Washington, Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, said also he considered aviation as "probably the most effective factor in bringing our several countries in the Western Hemisphere into an intimate relationship."

"Today, we are in many ways at the critical point in a great transition from a condition of more or less complete unpreparedness to one of tremendous military power," Army Chief of Staff said. "Every move we make is subjected to the closest scrutiny, and every error, real or imaginary, is pounced upon and exploited to the world."

General Marshall said the Army has at the head of its air activity "men who are veterans of the war and pioneers of our military force." He cited that while creating a great Army and a greater Navy, the nation is watching also the development of a huge air force, and endorsed a vast munitions program.

"The ground forces have been growing by leaps and soon will be pressed by bounds," the Chief of Staff remarked, "but it is in the air that our present largest increase is in making, and it is in the air that the most intimate relationship with Latin America will be maintained."

Medicos Predominate Among the Reserves At Ft. Benning

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Reservists now reporting to the 4th Div. here—of whom about 50 are before Jan. 1st—are representative of many professions, with the medical predominating.

In addition to physicians, among those due or recently arrived are lawyers, engineers, draftsmen, editors, contractors, newsmen, and school principals.

Some 20 additional Reserve officers of the Med. Corps have been ordered to report by Jan. 1. Several are to arrive this week. These men will be from Indiana, Kentucky and Virginia.

Most of the Reserve officers ordered to duty with the 4th Div. far have been from IV Corps Area states, but due to the shortage of officers in the Med. and QM Corps it has been necessary to extend the call into other Corps Areas. Of six officers of QM Res. reporting duty early in December, several were from Pennsylvania.

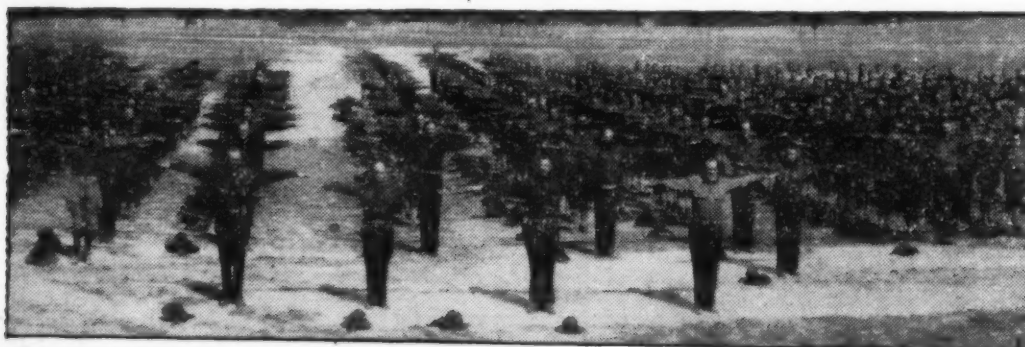
In addition to the Med. Corps officers due to report to the 4th Div. by Jan. 1, between 25 and 30 additional officers, largely of the QM and FA branches, have been ordered to duty here.

Since Nov. 25, 42 Res. officers have assumed their duties with the 4th Div., including 21 captains, 18 lieutenants, and three second lieutenants. Twenty-five are Infantry; two, FA; six, QM; six, Medical; two, Dental; and one, Cav.

Heads N.E. Reserves

BOSTON.—Capt. Raymond P. Mer, state representative, was elected president of the New England Reserve Officers Association at its annual meeting.

Workouts For All, From Colonel Down



THAT IS REALLY Colonel Manning on the far left, leading the 120th Infantry in its daily dozen. Second from right in the first row is Major Bowers, regimental adjutant.

—Signal Corps Photo

Consecutive Serial and Draft Numbers Drawn By Idaho Brothers

TWIN FALLS, Idaho.—For years Lester Roy, now 27, and his brother, Lawrence, 25, have been sharing things pretty equally. So, fate, with a capacity for continuing the fraternal equality, had them go together to register for Selective Service last October 16.

The registration cards were thoroughly shuffled and distributed. When serial numbers were assigned, Lester was 1,303, and Lawrence was 1,304.

When the National Draft lottery was drawn in Washington, the capsule-encased serial numbers of the Roy brothers were stirred in the "fish bowl" along with some 9,000 others.

In the random drawing which followed, Lester was 2,396; Lawrence, 2,397.

Bored Soldier Gets Room and Board in The Guard House

CAMP MURRAY, Wash.—Robert Kline, deciding that Army life was boring, went over the hill on Nov. 9. He policed an automobile from a fellow soldier and drove it to Seattle, then to Bellingham, and finally to Mount Vernon.

En route he foraged some civilian clothes, which he later pawned. When his money ran out, Kline began dismantling the car, peddling the heaters and wheels. Then—

Robert Kline, deciding that civilian life was boring, gave himself up to the military police at Camp Murray. And now, Kline is probably concluding that confinement can be most boring of all.

Former Captain in AEF Cited for Heroism After 22 Years

NEW YORK.—A DSC, earned in Bois de Belleau, France, about 22 years ago, will be presented to Stanley W. Burke, New York broker, on Dec. 23, at Governors Island.

The decoration will be presented to the former captain in the AEF by Brig. Gen. Irving J. Phillipson, commanding general, II Corps Area, during a battalion review by the 16th Inf., of Ft. Jay.

The citation sets forth that Burke, while serving as a 2d lieutenant, Co. A, 6th Machine Gun Bn., Marine Corps, 2d Div., displayed extraordinary heroism in action by going out under enemy artillery fire to bring in a wounded noncommissioned officer who lay helpless on the battlefield.

Burke was born in Plainfield, N. J., but now makes his home in America, N. Y.

Home Guard News

CHICAGO.—Plans for mustering Home Guard units for the various States are progressing steadily and with a good deal of speed, the Council of State Governments reported here this week.

Under most State defense programs, Home Guard units are being organized along military lines in squads, platoons, companies and battalions, but in some States neighborhood groups will form loosely-organized units. In a few States, however, State police will perform emergency defense work.

Responsibility for organizing and commanding the units will fall mostly on Reserve officers and officials of war-veteran groups. Eligibles for enlistment in Home Guard units in a majority of the States will be older than those being inducted into the Army.

It will be the job of home defense units to perform military guard duty for utilities, power plants, water works, industrial plants, docks, railroad yards, air fields and other areas vital to national defense activities.

Alabama is setting up a Home Guard built upon the American Legion as a nucleus. Minnesota is forming a "Minnesota Defense Force" of about 300 officers and 4,000 enlisted men, with commissioned personnel drawn from Reserve officer groups. Virginia's program calls for the organization of an Infantry brigade of 135 officers and upward 3,000 enlisted men, while New Jersey is planning a home defense force of approximately 4,000 officers and 12,000 enlisted men, created as NG units taken into the Federal service.

The Texas Defense Corps will be organized into companies and battalions of men between the ages of 21 and 64, with preference given men who served in World War I. Regular Army or National Guard Officers will be appointed by the Governor upon recommendation of various civic organizations.

In Pennsylvania, a reserve militia will be organized if the situation comes serious enough to demand otherwise, State defense will be undertaken by volunteer organizations and the State Police.

Armored Force Sets New March Records

PANAMA CITY, Fla.—The 2nd Armored Division was on its way back to Fort Benning, Ga., this week in the second phase of the biggest maneuvers ever staged by the Army's motorized units.

After the trip south officers said they were elated with the division's performance in bringing 10,000 men and 2500 vehicles over the 200-mile route at a fast pace. Riding in columns 25 yards apart, the speedy tanks reached here with only one collision chalked up against them, and that a slight one.

Tanks weighing 25,000 pounds whizzed across bridges built to carry 14,000 pounds, and ran above 40 miles per hour on the good highways. Some of the big ten-wheel trucks were stuck in the mud early in the advance, but pulled themselves out in record time.

Commanded by Brig. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., the march set several records.

It was the first time a full armored division moved across country in the

Western Hemisphere. The 400 tanks were the largest concentration of this type of battle vehicles undertaken in the U.S.

The division moved ready to fight in any direction, on the ground or in the air. Combining training with the trip, the division sent observation cars ahead, aided by aviation. Despite rain, the little cub plane used for messenger service continued to dart over the column, dropping messages that were picked up by couriers.

Motorcycle couriers, in fact, kept communications moving when necessary by passing messages into tanks on the end of a light cane.

General Patton, obviously pleased by the division's proficiency, declared: "There is nothing in the world like it."

He said the unit was modeled somewhat along the lines of the German panzer divisions but "with improvements." The two American armored divisions are more powerful "than anything in Europe," he said, with

equipment superior both in performance and fire power.

Lt. Col. Geoffrey Keyes, the division's chief of staff, said that the trip had particular value in that it supplied data on which march tables may be based.

"The division," he said, "can make 150 miles as a normal day's march. On a forced march it can make 160 miles in nine hours. By using the two-driver system it can march 320 miles in 18 hours."

Army Engineer Leaves For U. S. Jamaica Base

Highlighting the defense expansion program this week was the War Department's announcement of the departure from New York of Maj. R. G. Lovett, Corps of Engineers, and a group of 10 civilian engineers to inaugurate work on the Army base to be constructed on Jamaica Island.

A district office will be established at Kingston to supervise the work.

In a few days, additional surveyors, engineers and administrative personnel will leave for the island to initiate necessary surveys and other preparatory work. The Trinidad District already has been established with Maj. David A. D. Ogden as District Engineer. This office will supervise the Army construction program on the islands of Trinidad, St. Lucia, Antigua and in British Guiana. Other districts have been established in Bermuda and Newfoundland, thus completing the Army Engineers' setup for building eight military bases on sites leased from Britain.

In the meantime, Donald M. Nelson, coordinator of National Defense

Purchases, stated that orders already placed with manufacturers will be given adequate consideration when additional orders are allocated. Nelson explained that for some 20 years the War Department has been making a plant survey of industries.

Construction contracts and developments in connection with War Department defense plans announced during the week included:

Authorization of construction of temporary buildings and other facilities to house Reserve officers and enlisted men at Walter Reed Hospital at the Army Medical Center in Washington, D. C., at a cost of \$584,056.

Award of two contracts totalling \$105,887,790 for equipping and operating a small arms ammunition plant at St. Louis, Mo. The government is buying 134 acres of land in that city for the plant site.

Authorization of the construction of additional buildings and utilities at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., to cost \$148,140.

Award of a contract for \$5,210,513.50 to the Republic Aviation Corp., Farmingdale, Long Island, N. Y., for plant expansion.

Authorization for building warehouses, shops and other facilities at the new Utah General Depot at Ogden, at a total cost of \$3,435,000. The depot will be used to store military supplies for Army units located in the West.

Authorization of \$1,116,800 worth of cantonment and utilities construction for Selective Service Trainees in Puerto Rico and construction of two Air Corps housing layouts for members of two new pursuit squadrons as well as for increased personnel of other Air Corps units in the Philippines. The principal additions in Puerto Rico will be at Ft. Buchanan where enlisted men's barracks, mess halls and day rooms, officers' quarters, supply buildings, warehouses, an administrative building and gasoline storage facilities will be built. Other additions will be at the Puerto Rican National Guard camp at Tortuguero and at the Port of San Juan.

The War Department approved or extended a number of construction applications in connection with its handling of activities in the Rivers and Harbors program for which the Corps of Engineers are held responsible.

Talk About Army Hostesses



RUTH MOSS, who has interviewed 1500 people on the air since 1936, asks Capt. Leigh Nisbet what's all this talk about hostesses for the Army, and Captain Nisbet tells her. He is on duty with the adjutant general's department in Boston. Their conversation went out over 19 stations covering New England. —Signal Corps Photo

Defense Output Intricate

Citizens who may get a bit queamish about delays encountered in the production of equipment and supplies for the new Army might stop to consider some of the intricacies of the production problem.

Take, for example, a new-type antitank gun, which can destroy the most improved heavily-armored "crawlers" of the battlefield. More than 40 different steps are required in their manufacture, which may require anywhere from one to four years.

Each step consumes time, study and skill. And this applies not only to antitank weapons but to many other light and heavy items of warfare. Here are some of the phases involved in the average weapon manufacture:

Inception, design and standardization—average time for this phase may be two years, sometimes much less or longer. The service arm involved must decide whether it needs or can use the suggested weapon. It informs the Ordnance Department of the need and reasons therefor.

Then the Ordnance Committee holds conferences to determine details and utility of the proposed weapon. The implement's characteristics are drawn up for demonstration.

Information as to the weapon characteristics is forwarded to all of the interested "using" arms

(sometimes three or more) and must be approved by the operations staff (G-3), the supply staff (G-4) and the Secretary of War.

Upon final approval, the Ordnance Department makes a preliminary design study. This must be approved or modified by the Ordnance Committee, all members of which must concur. Then orders are issued to make detail drawings of the design and to build one or more pilot models, or to buy one for testing.

Pilot models are manufactured or bought. They are tested by the Ordnance Department to see if they meet the requirements and characteristics predetermined by the Ordnance Committee. The model then is tested by each of the "using" services for the same purpose. Modifications often are in order and that takes more time and study.

When every service and authority is satisfied, the Ordnance Committee gives the new weapon its formal approval.

All these steps are necessary in the first phase of production. The second phase involves a determination of the numbers or quantities needed in various units. That involves another long process that may require from a few days to a year.

Procurement is the third phase. It requires from one to three months to place the orders, which under the

McCarthy Inspects



DIZZY HOLLYWOOD scigheiled Master Sgt. McCarthy as he passed by in the movie capital's annual Christmas parade. Old Splinterpants had an honor guest of March Field noncoms too. —Army Air Corps Photo

present defense setup must be recommended by the National Defense Advisory Commission. Then after this recommendation has been made, the assistant Secretary of War must authorize the negotiation of a contract. The entire procurement process is long and tedious.

The final phase, that of manufacture, is the goal and this objective may be influenced by any number of factors. There may be a shortage of labor, lack of tools, alteration in design or a hundred other matters to impede mass production. And sometimes after an implement of war has been manufactured there may be difficulty in getting it transported to its arsenal or field destinations.

Of course, there must be Government inspection before delivery is made and that, too, takes time. The god of war is exacting.

Buy Airship For England as Gift

CAMP EDWARDS, Mass.—Workmen employed on camp construction here have volunteered to contribute 10 per cent of one week's pay to purchase an airplane for England—as a Christmas gift. There are about 16,000 workers on the job here.

The "deal" was approved by the State Department. If it is feasible, the plane will be shown to the donors before it is shipped to England.

Find 325 Callings Listed Among 105th Troops

FORT McCLELLAN, Ala.—The former spieler on the Chinatown rubberneck bus, the zipper maker, the tree doctor and the jockey, are now servicing a French 75 for the 105th F. A., which hails from Brooklyn and The Bronx.

Another crew could be made up of the two undertakers, the two sandhogs and one of the three bartenders in the outfit. Their corporal might be the trade paper editor claimed by the 105th.

All these occupations turned up when Col. James Andrews' men finished their intelligence and classification tests. Among the 910 soldiers, 325 different trades and professions were represented, all very handy to round out the everyday life of an artillery regiment.

The men can also handle 16 foreign languages, in case they ever catch a prisoner or have to translate enemy documents. Testing on this score was handled by Lt. Edmund C. Murphy, language officer, who was stumped however, by a modern Greek. Lt. Murphy can quote you Homer and Euripides, but he couldn't understand Pvt. George Eliasoff of Headquarters Battery, who spouted in the manner Greeks talk today, he said.

The 105th placed 59 per cent of its personnel above the average in the intelligence tests. A few outstanding men were found. It was not generally known, for instance, that Pvt. F. P. Diamond of Regimental HQ Battery, had a bachelor's degree from Fordham University and a master's degree in law from N. Y. U. He is also a qualified civil engineer. In the psychological test he made a rating of 145 out of a possible 161.

Another "find" was Sgt. Thomas J. McBride of Battery C, who has been an airplane pilot for ten years. He worked his way into France's Lafayette Escadrille through the Foreign Legion in time to fight in the Battle of France. He was captured after downing two German bombers, but later escaped. He said after the tests that he did not believe his eyes were good enough to meet the U. S. Army Air Corps standards. However, he may get a commission now in the artillery. His I.Q. rating also was 145.

Benning Students to Knox

FT. BENNING, Ga.—One hundred and fifty 4th Div. men are scheduled to leave Jan. 1 for Ft. Knox to enroll in the Motor Mechanics School of the Armored Force. On completion of the training, the men will return to their division to serve as instructors in a divisional school for motor mechanics.

Highway Aid Praised By Provost Marshal At Fort Benning

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Praise for the cooperation being given by state and county highway officials in Ft. Benning's program for straightening out traffic snarls in the reservation area was given this week by Maj. Herbert B. Laux (provost marshal here).

Maj. Laux called attention to the fact that there had been no serious accident on the heavily travelled Cusseta highway and entrance roads to the post since the State highway department installed a system of safety markings three weeks ago.

"Not only have white and yellow safety markings been placed on the roads from post to town," Maj. Laux pointed out, "but also they have been provided on the principal roads through the post. The greatly improved accident record attests well their value."

"This and other safety work were undertaken with a wholehearted spirit of cooperation at our request and instigation and M. C. Bishop, director of the Traffic Division of the State highway department, unhesitatingly placed at our disposal the knowledge and services of his staff."

State assistance is not stopping with road marking and side road sign installation. Through the highway department, with the aid of the county, big modern stop lights are being installed at two principal points of the hazard.

The lights and installations will cost the State thousands of dollars for equipment and material, and the county will expend large sums for its part in the project.

Lt. Ralph A. Tolve, formerly an officer of the State highway patrol and now on active duty at Ft. Benning under his Reserve officer's commission, has been especially helpful in the safety traffic planning at the post, Maj. Laux stated. Lt. Tolve is serving as one of Maj. Laux' assistants.

Designated Press Officer

FORT MONROE, Va.—Lt. Col. Clifford D. Hindle, CAC, has been designated Public Relations and Press Relation officer for the Coast Artillery School at Fort Monroe.

You're in the Army Now by Here Ficklen



"Just relax—it'll all be over in a flash."

Greetings to the Corps Areas

Maj. Gen. James A. Woodruff, Commanding 1st Corps Area, Boston, Mass.
I am pleased to express through this medium my most sincere Christmas greetings to the units under my command, as well as to all individuals not included in those units. In particular, to those men who are spending their first Christmas in the service I wish to express the hope that they may be able to retain recollections of its having been a pleasant Christmas. To those for whom it has been impracticable to get to their homes or to see their families during the holidays I want to express the hope that they may derive a compensating satisfaction from knowing that they are doing a good job for their country, and that they may experience that particular satisfaction which comes to persons who are rendering cheerful, willing service. My very best wishes for the New Year to all members of my command.

Brig. Gen. Irving J. Phillipson, Commanding 2d Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y.:
As another year draws to a close, it is a pleasure to express to the members of this command my keen appreciation of the splendid service that has been the rule despite the unusual situation which exists. Only through the untiring efforts and unfailing support of the entire organization have the signal accomplishments, which have characterized this period, been effected. Whatever the future may hold, I am certain that it will be met in the same calm, resourceful, unselfish spirit for which you have so frequently been commended.

My best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year are gratefully extended to all of you.

Maj. Gen. Walter S. Grant, Commanding 3d Corps Area, Baltimore, Md.:
To all officers, enlisted men and civilian employees of the Third Corps Area, I send warm Christmas and holiday greetings. That the coming year may bring to them happiness and prosperity is my sincerest wish. The loyal and effective work which they have performed during the past year is recognized and appreciated.

Brig. Gen. John P. Smith, Commanding 4th Corps Area, Atlanta, Ga.:
Season's Greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all personnel in the Fourth Corps Area.

Brig. Gen. C. A. Trott, Commanding 5th Corps Area, Fort Hayes, Ohio:
To the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth Corps Area and to their families I wish to extend my sincere hope for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It seems particularly fitting at this time to unite in rejoicing at our progress during the past year and to go forward confident that the achievements of the year to come will bring inner satisfaction which comes from duty well done. May the holiday season be a joyous one for you all.

Brig. Gen. Charles H. Bonesteel, Commanding 6th Corps Area, Chicago, Ill.:
To the officers and men of the 6th Corps Area, to our comrades throughout the service, and to our many friends who are giving a full share of aid in our extensive defense program, I extend a most sincere wish for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Brig. Gen. George V. Strong, Commanding 7th Corps Area, Omaha, Neb.:
Cordial greetings to you and your command and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the personnel of Headquarters Seventh Corps Area.

Brig. Gen. Richard Donovan, Commanding 8th Corps Area:
I am glad to take advantage of the opportunity to extend, through your publication, best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all personnel of the Eighth Corps Area.

Maj. Gen. E. D. Peek, Commanding 9th Corps Area, San Francisco, Calif.:
In the spirit of an old Army tradition, I wish to extend to each officer, warrant officer, enlisted man, selectee, nurse and civilian employee in the corps area, which it is my honor to command, my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The successful execution of the Army expansion, reorganization, and intensive training program will call for the best efforts of each of us throughout the New Year. I am sure that through your continued fine esprit, courage, and devotion to duty our great military program will be carried out in a way that will be to the lasting credit of our Army.

Knudsen Says Defense Production Lagging

NEW YORK.—Although defense orders are more than 85 per cent placed and the nation has arrived at the second stage of the procurement and manufacture of military supplies and equipment, "the defense job has not been sufficiently sold to industry and labor as yet."

This declaration was made over the past week-end by William S.

37 Years Ago . . .

Twelve interceptor planes hung like eagles on motionless wings above a point in North Carolina one day this week. The sun struck sparks from the first one as it winged over and dived toward the ground. The second followed it, then the next and the next until they were a string of bullets aimed at a slim monument pointed at them from the sand dunes.

The place: Kitty Hawk.

The time: 10:30 a. m.

The date: December 17.

As the planes broke their dive and roared over the stone shaft, the pilots were remembering that 37 years before Orville and Wilbur Wright had tied together a bundle of stocks and fabric and made it fly. Their sleek interceptor fighters were the result of that flight.

Major Ned Schram commanded the 36th Pursuit Group which flew down from Langley Field, Va., to keep the rendezvous. The group goes to Puerto Rico some time in January.

Knudsen, commissioner in charge of the production division of the National Defense Advisory Commission, in an address here before the National Association of Manufacturers. The commissioner said the public generally "is sold on defense" but that the present work schedule "has cut 20 per cent off our machine time."

"Our machine tool industry is working hard and well on their job," the speaker added, but he estimated that industry roughly is only 20 to 25 per cent tooling up from the standpoint of quantity. He forecast, however, that if every individual agency and industry concerned would cooperate, the plants could be 80 per cent tooling up by April 1 and the balance by May 31.

"Despotic power we abhor, but we must recognize that it compels the exercise of certain qualities which we must voluntarily exercise if we are to prevail in times of conflict," the commissioner said. "Our speedy procurement of the necessary defense implements demands intense concentration on production as an objective in itself."

Largest Load in Heavy Goods

Knudsen estimated that the present defense program, with all its subcontract and equipment features, requires about 18 billion man-hours. He said the largest load lies in the heavy goods industries and is "the greatest production problem of any country in modern times."

"Friday night has become the big night in most of our industrial picture," the speaker continued. "Used to be Saturday night—we have cut 20 per cent off our machine time and we can not afford to do this. Can't we stop this blackout, this lack of production from Friday to Monday and get more use out of the equipment?"

In reference to the aircraft problem, Knudsen stressed one point he thought should be realized and that was "one plane is recorded as one plane, whether it weighs 4,000 pounds or 40,000 pounds, and whether it has a 350-HP training engine or four 1,250-HP fighting engines. There is no use worrying about light planes—we can get them. On fighting planes we are in pretty fair shape, but bombers, from 16,000 pounds up to the heaviest take time and they must be worked out for real production before we can get quantities."

"Frankly, we are not doing anything compared to the forecast by the manufacturers and the commission in July, and our hoped-for production figures for Jan. 1, 1941, of 1,000 planes a month have to be scaled down by 30 per cent to be correct."

A breakdown of war equipment called for in the billions of dollars worth of orders that have been placed was given by the defense commissioner. Here are some of the items included:

50,000 airplanes, 130,000 engines, 17,000 heavy guns, 25,000 light guns, 13,000 trench mortars, 33 million shells loaded, 9,200 tanks, 300,000 machine guns and ammunition, 400,000 automatic rifles and ammunition, 1,300,000 regular rifles and ammunition, 380 Navy ships, 200 mercantile ships, 210 camps and cantonments, 40 government factories, and clothing and equipment for 1,200,000 men.

176th FA Reg. Streamline Under Way

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Streamlined organization of the 176th FA, local unit of the Pennsylvania National Guard, is being effected preparatory to its mobilization into the Federal service.

Col. Arthur P. Schock, commanding the unit, said the tables of organization call for two battalions instead of the existing three, with no decrease in the total number of large guns — 155-mm. howitzers — in the streamlined unit.

The reorganized regiment will be equipped with a battery of modernized 75's for antitank use and a unified service battery to replace the present combat train and supply unit.

"Reorganization of the regiment will give it infinitely greater power," Col. Schock said. "It will also give the unit greater mobility. Maintenance strength of the unit has been increased from approximately 700 enlisted men and 60 officers to 841 enlisted men and 70 officers."

Col. Schock said he had been authorized by the War Department to recruit the regiment to full maintenance strength prior to mobilization. The greatest need, the commander added, is for specialists. Complete reorganization of the regiment is expected to be effected within the next 30 days. The unit is scheduled to be at Fort George G. Meade, Md., by Feb. 3.

Famed 1st Div. Seeks Men

NEW YORK.—The famed 1st Division that has been garrisoned in and around this city since the last war, wants to "get going" with full strength as it leaves home for intensive field training.

Thursday of this week, a mobile loud speaker unit followed by a division detachment in trucks and with antitank guns began cruising the city in search of recruits. The cruise will continue until Dec. 18. The display included antitank and anti-aircraft demonstrations and a personal appeal based on the following points:

- (1) The glorious traditions of the division.
- (2) It's War Department priority, on getting all the latest weapons and equipment.
- (3) The advantage of enlisting now in a crack regular army outfit instead of waiting for the uncertainty of the draft.
- (4) The advantage of the three-year enlistment over the one-year enlistment—i.e. learn a trade to carry back to civil life.
- (5) Be in an outfit that will go first—wherever the exigencies of this national emergency may take it.

Pick 21 Officers, Men For Special Schooling

CAMP MURRAY, Wash.—Ten officers and 11 enlisted men of the 41st Division in training here have been added to the select list going to national service schools in the Midwest, South and East.

Three officers will go to Fort Benning, Ga., for a course in communications; one officer to the Chicago QM depot for course in inspection of meat, meat-food and dairy products; four officers to QM school, Philadelphia, for NG and RO courses; two officers to command and general staff school, Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

Enlisted men: Motor mechanics course, three men; battery mechanics course, two men; communications course, five men, all at Fort Sill, Okla., artillery school.

College Heads Discuss Training of Engineers

PHILADELPHIA — Representatives from 28 colleges in the middle Atlantic states met at the University of Pennsylvania to discuss the spending of \$9,000,000 in U.S. funds teaching engineers techniques needed in the rearmament program.

There are about 5000 engineers in the Philadelphia area who will be given intensive training to fit them for special jobs where shortage of trained supervisors and inspectors has become apparent. Classes will start next week.

Willis T. Spivey will be in charge. He is professor of engineering at Drexel Institute and also regional advisor for the whole defense-engineering program.

Army Commanders Take Over Lieutenant Appointments

The War Dept. has relieved Corps Area Commanders of all functions in connection with the annual appointments as 2d lieutenants in the Regular Army from qualified Reserve officers now on extended active duty with the Regular Army under the provisions of the Thomason Act.

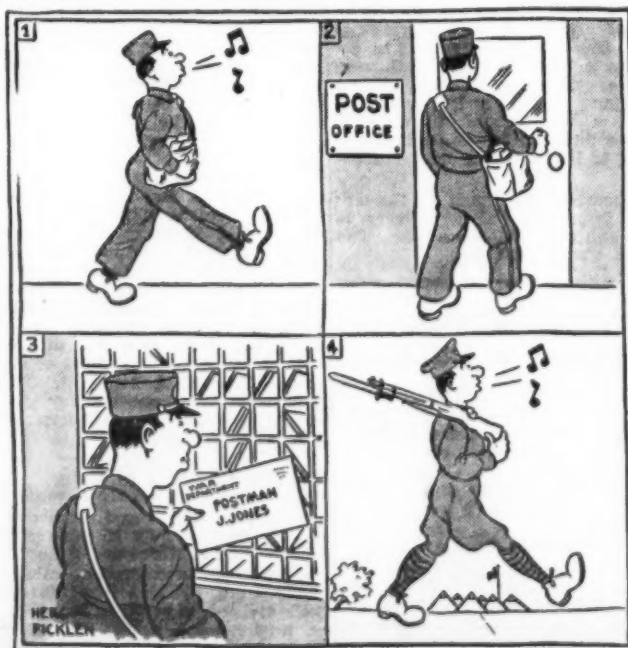
Army Commanders will from now on be responsible for duties in this connection as defined in regulations now being revised.

The new rules provide that appointments of qualified Res. officers serving under the provisions of the Thomason Act will be made as 2d lieutenants in the Regular Army in the promotion list, "arms and services other than the Air Corps," and will be distributed among three arms and services in accordance with quotas established each year by the Secretary of War. Any Reserve officer who is on active duty under the provisions of the Thomason Act at the time application is made may apply.

Applications from individuals must be submitted through military channels to Army or Corps Area Commanders not later than Jan. 1 of each year. Preliminary examinations are held beginning the third week in January each year to eliminate unsuitable candidates, including those physically disqualified, and to determine exemptions from written examinations (educational only, to determine eligibility to compete for selection; college graduates are exempt). Examination of those not exempted begins Mar. 1, each year.

You're in the Army Now

by Herc Ficklen



Fort Worden Troops Are Up On All Phases of Training

FT. WORDEN, Wash.—Trial "blackouts" are routine in the training of troops of the 14th CA here and as the military tests its defense against imaginary but possible air attacks, the nearby cities of Port Townsend and Port Angeles also are "training" in the darkening procedure.

Col. James H. Cunningham, commanding the Harbor Defenses of Puget Sound, is assisting the civilian authorities and officials of industrial establishments in "blackout" technique. Army planes from Gray Field near Ft. Lewis, have been assigned to check efficiency of the "blackouts" by observation flights over darkened areas.

Meanwhile, other training here has been progressing steadily and seasoned men are being released for other stations. A contingent of 159 non-commissioned officers and men of the 14th CA recently left Ft. Worden for Seattle and San Francisco. The detachment sailed later for the Panama

Canal Zone. The men were accompanied by 'Frisco by Lt. M. W. Hammond, CA Res. The detachment has been training for the new assignment for more than a year.

When the CA station was visited recently by Maj. Gen. Henry T. Babin, commanding general of the 9th CA Dist., and Maj. Gen. Ernest I. Peek, commanding general of the 1st Corps Area, the officers found construction here well under way and the troops well-fed and efficiently trained.

Gen. Woodruff Inspects

BOSTON — Maj. Gen. James A. Woodruff, commanding the 1st Corps Area, made an extensive inspection tour, by plane, to Camp Edwards, Mass., the 152d Obs. Sqdn. at Hill Grove Airport, Providence, and Fort Devens, where he inspected the recruit Reception Center and other activities of the post.

Medics Try Easing Pain Of Flying

Medical experts of the Army, Navy, and Public Health Service, are studying one of the toughest problems faced by the Air Forces—that of the physical strain the human body must undergo to perform tactics in a modern warplane.

One of the chief phases of the study involves infliction of "the bends"—a painful and crippling malady familiar to deep-sea divers, "sand-hogs" and others who work under high atmospheric pressure. The research, little noticed, has been under way ever since technique of dive-bombing was developed along with the new fast-climbing planes.

A modern fighting plane can climb several thousand feet in a minute. The rapid ascension subjects fliers to great punishment because of the resultant sudden changes in atmospheric pressure. The effect is the same as that a deep-sea diver would experience if he came up too rapidly. On the other hand, the rapid drops and dives of a fighting plane subject aviators to double punishment—pressure change effects and in addition, "blood boiling" caused by high speeds.

Capt. Harry Armstrong is one of the men the Army has assigned to the problem. The Navy has called in its expert on deep-sea diving, Lt. Commander Albert R. Behnke, while the Public Health Service has turned its study of the physiological riddle to Dr. Ben Jones.

A deep-sea diver avoids the "bends" by ascending slowly, but an aviator—dodging and attacking an enemy plane—can't wait. Behnke has discovered that a diver can avoid a lot of discomfort by injection of more oxygen into his air lines. But he must stop, half way up, and "taper off" again something the flier can't do.

The experts are trying to figure for one thing, some sort of pressure suit for the flier. An obstacle there, however, is that as the flier climbs, his suit blows up with the internal air pressure. If the fabric fails to give, the suit gets so rigid its wearer can't bend his arms or legs. Now the experts are trying to devise some sort of articulated joints for the uniform.

Other problems encountered by the fast and high-flying modern war pilot include centrifugal pressure and plain, ordinary fatigue. The modern plane, easily maneuvered, gives the pilot a bad beating as regards the centrifugal force, which—in effect—increases for both ship and pilot. Scientists say a good ship can stand what they term 14-G, a centrifugal force equivalent to increasing its weight 14 times. A pilot can stand only 16-G and remain conscious. When the pressure gets above that, in a sudden turn or abrupt climb, the flier "blacks out."

Even when the pressure is not sufficient to "black out" consciousness, the pilot feels too tired to even want to move a muscle. This is a fatigue that differs from the ordinary kind, which itself remains a puzzler for the experts. The combination of nerve strain, physical weariness brought on by actual exertion and the possible fear and excitement of an aerial flight can do queer things to a human being.

Reports from the battlefronts abroad disclose that pilots returning from raids on the "sky front" sometimes crack up on landing although the field may be smooth and the



Signor Thomas Eure (the guy with the double-boiler helmet at the right) says Italy is playing a waiting game in Albania. She is waiting till the Greeks get so much mud in their eyes they can't see, then she will turn on them.

Abbott Sydney, left, is no Greek, but he has a word for that. He says the Italians won't ride the rear seats of motorcycles any longer because by doing so they run great danger of getting the seats of their pants torn off.

Eure says, well, anyway, the Italians have a

very democratic army. Sydney asks, how's that? And Eure tells him the generals come up in the front rank and surrender right alongside the privates.

If they were really serious about this there might have been a miniature Greco-Roman battle in Chanute Field's photographic section. Both are privates there, awaiting assignment to the photographic school at Lowry Field, Colo. Eure is a free-hand artist of ability, while Sydney—a freelance photographer in civil life—has had many pictures published by leading magazines.

Bright Young Soldiers Get Ahead Fast

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Records of the Army personnel here indicate there's room at the top in the Army for bright young men willing to find their way around.

Take a look at just one outfit, for illustration—Co. B of the 67th QM Regiment. The "top kick," 1st Sgt. George D. Adams, is 23 years old and has had a total service of only two years. Sgt. Joseph M. Daniels, in charge of the company supply, is 26 years old and obtained his sergeant's warrant 11 months after joining the Army.

Sgt. John N. (Tiny) Edmonson, 23, received his sergeant stripes three years after entering the service. He now is in charge of the company mess.

Cpls. John S. Decker, 21, and John R. Comfort, 19, became non-coms before completing four months of service.

The company commander, 2d Lieut. Melvin D. Kutzer, QM Res., is 25 years of age.

CA Regimental Band On NBC Broadcast

CHARLESTON, S. C.—The 252d CA Regimental Band, former N. G. unit from Wilmington, N. C., presented a concert Sunday at the Charleston College auditorium.

The program, which lasted an hour, was broadcast over NBC from Charleston. This was the first concert presented by the band here since the organization was in camp at Ft. Moultrie last summer. Warrant Officer G. W. Nicholas directs the musicians.

weather clear and altogether favorable. Science, which has advanced ahead of man's physical capabilities, now must do some more figuring to make its handwork effective in the maximum.

Indian Draft Policy Same as for Others

Indian Selective Service Trainees are to be procured, assigned and trained according to the same policies as those for any other Selectees in the current defense program, the War Department announced Friday.

Indian soldiers are serving at present in every arm and service of the Army and have served the military with distinction in every major war this country has ever engaged in, officials pointed out.

203 Privates Arrive At Selfridge Base

SELFTRIDGE FIELD, Mich.—Terminating their recruit training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., early this week, 203 Army Air Corps enlisted men arrived at Selfridge Field for more advanced work. Included in

Air Base Developments At Selfridge-Wayne Making Headway

SELFTRIDGE FIELD, Mich.—While the new air field is under construction at Ft. Wayne, Ind.—with its more than 80 buildings, at a cost of \$1,300,000—an Air Corps base will be temporarily set up at Paul Baer (Municipal) Airport. The City of Ft. Wayne has been asked to lend hangar space and other field facilities for use by military planes while the new station is being built.

Pursuit aviation units now stationed at Selfridge Field will be transferred to the new Ft. Wayne Base upon its completion.

As for developments at Selfridge Field, two of the six expansion construction projects are almost completed. The two include additional night lighting and airplane refueling facilities. All remaining contracts for temporary buildings, to cost \$666,000, and an \$80,000 addition to paved airplane parking areas have been awarded and work is progressing ahead of schedule.

Early this week, the 6th Wing of the AC was established here under command of Brig. Gen. H. B. Clagett. Formation and activation of four new pursuit groups and one air base group is also under way.

the group were teletype operators, cooks, sign painters, truck drivers and auto mechanics. The transferees, all privates, were assigned to the 1st, 31st Pursuit and 3d Air Base Groups.

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The U. S. Army Today

(Material from "The Army of the United States," prepared by the War Department and published by the Government Printing Office.)

In war our Army uses large numbers of weapons of all kinds, from pistols to huge guns and tanks, and tremendous amounts of ammunition for these tools of war. It is the business of the Ordnance Department to design, obtain and distribute to the arms and services the weapons and ammunition with which war is fought. The work of improving old weapons and improving new ones, which goes on constantly in time of peace, is another important work done by the department. It also takes care of the large stores of equipment kept on hand at all times.

The list of weapons, ammunition and other materials handled by the Ordnance Department contains more than 2,500 separate items and these items have altogether 250,000 different parts. Some of the main items are: pistols, semiautomatic rifles, automatic rifles, machine guns, trench mortars, hand grenades, anti-

aircraft guns, antitank guns, canons of all sizes, tanks, armored cars, scout cars, combat cars, fire-control instruments, pyrotechnics and bombs.

The Ordnance Department is headed by the Chief of Ordnance with the rank of major general and two assistant chiefs with the rank of brigadier. There is ordnance personnel stationed at the Army's general depots where supplies of all kinds are kept, at the six manufacturing arsenals, at the proving ground, and at 15 supply depots of the department. An ordnance service company is stationed at each corps area headquarters and the U. S. Military Academy. There are 31 ordnance companies at various Army posts here and overseas. Ordnance service is also provided for the GHQ Air Force.

Make 10 Percent of Arms

The six manufacturing arsenals are Watertown Arsenal at Watertown, Mass.; Picatinny Arsenal at Dover, N. J.; Watervliet Arsenal at Watervliet, N. Y.; Frankford Arsenal at Philadelphia, Pa.; Rock Island Ar-

senal at Rock Island, Ill.; and Springfield Armory at Springfield, Mass. These arsenals make most of the ordnance materials used by the Army in normal times, but it is estimated that they could supply only 10 percent of what we would need in a major war. The rest would have to come from major manufacturers.

The Ordnance Department carries out its part of the Industrial Mobilization program through 14 procurement districts. The headquarters of these districts are located in principal cities throughout the country. The total required war load, less what is expected the arsenals will produce, is divided among the various districts. Through contacts with manufacturers and surveys of their plants, each district plans for the production of each item of ordnance in the quantities needed for war.

Get Severe Tests

Before any ordnance item is produced in quantity a working model, known as a pilot, is made. At the Aberdeen, Md., proving ground these

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pilots are subjected to severe tests in order to bring out defects under conditions like those in which the item will be used in actual service. Besides these development tests, the proving ground conducts tests to determine whether manufactured ordnance materials are up to the standards set in the contract.

One of the most important changes in the Army's fighting equipment in recent years was the adoption of the semiautomatic rifle of 1936. This rifle, known as the Garand or "M-1," is a self-loading weapon which can be fired rapidly and for long periods without fatigue to the soldier. Two other vitally important developments have been the 37 mm. antiaircraft weapon and the 37-mm. antitank gun.

The Ordnance Department with its large force of technical experts gives the Army the tools it fights with. In its work it cooperates closely with the fighting arms to furnish them the best and most powerful tools of war.

(Next Week: "Chemical Warfare Service")

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The Army Quiz



Forget all you knew about infantry weapons and tactics because from now on we're going to feed it to you straight from the feed box. A complete course from the new Infantry Field Manual—all for a nickel!

1. The Browning automatic rifle is not suited to attack because:
It is inaccurate
It heats up
It fires too quickly
It is hard to keep supplied with ammunition

2. Principal weapon of the rifle platoon on defense is:
The rifle
The automatic rifle
The machine gun
The semi-automatic rifle

3. If practicable, the .45-caliber pistol should not be used at ranges exceeding:
50 yards
75 yards
100 yards

4. The radius of effect of a hand grenade is between:
20 to 50 yards
15 to 30 yards
25 to 75 yards
50 to 100 yards

5. For general infantry purposes ranges are classified as follows: (Match up the numbers with appropriate letters):
1. Long a. 200-400 yards

2. Close b. Up to 200 yards
3. Distant c. 400-600 yards
4. Short d. Over 1500 yards
5. Midrange e. 600-1500 yards

6. If a plane was flying at 2200 feet its altitude in a military sense would be:
Low Medium High

7. The heavy machine gun uses a .50-caliber slug.
True False

8. Can the .50-caliber antitank machine gun bullet penetrate 1-inch armor at 400 yards?
Yes No

9. The 81-mm mortar uses three types of shells. One of those mentioned below should not be included. Which is it?
Heavy explosive shell
Lachrymatory gas shell
Heavy smoke shell
Light explosive shell

10. If a 37-mm antitank gun shell strikes a 1½-inch armor at a 45-degree angle at 1000 yards, will it pierce it?
Yes No
(Answers on Page 16)

GAL BACK HOME

She loves to knit on sweaters But she'll add to war's alarms Unless the guys who get them Have peculiar shapes in arms.

Captain: "Are you happy now that you're in the Army?"
Recruit: "Yes, sir."
Captain: "What were you in civil life?"
Recruit: "Happler: till, sir."

The Mess Line

They tell about the rookie who came out of the sandhills to his first duty at Fort Myer, Va. On his first trip to Washington he stood on Pennsylvania Avenue and watched the President's car go by on its way to the White House.

"Who's that?" he asked a bystander.

She said it was President Roosevelt.

"Who's all them men on motorcycles?" was his next question.

"Why they're policemen," replied the woman.

"What's he done?" said the rookie.

Colonel's Lady (hearing crash in kitchen): "More dishes, Judy?"

Judy O'Grady: "No, ma'am; less."

"Hey, K.P., close that window!"

"Whatsamatta, is there a draft?"

"No, but it's the fourth time my steak has been blown off the plate."

BRAVE

After the Armistice all A.E.F. dreams were inspired by the same ambition—to get back to the U.S.A.

"If that horse-faced colonel told me I could start for home tomorrow," said one doughboy wistfully, "I'd be tempted to kiss him."

"Listen," said the other, "if I could get up enough nerve to kiss that mug, I wouldn't be scared to swim the Atlantic."

"Hey, Joe, yer engine's smokin'."

"Well, it's old enough."

"Company, halt!"

But McGill kept right on marching.

"McGill, what did you do before you joined the Army?"

"Worked on a farm, sir."

"Okay. Company, halt! McGill, whoa!"

DIAGNOSIS

"Now," said the doctor, "you are going to have a little sun and air and be all right."

The patient fainted.

Sergeant was an old maid.

"Is this Joe?"

"Yeah, this is Joe."

"It doesn't sound like Joe."

"Well, it is, all right."

"Well, listen, Joe—are yuh sure this is Joe?"

"Honest. Sure. This is Joe."

"Well, listen, Joe, can yuh lend me ten bucks?"

"I'll ask Joe as soon as he comes in."

"Whippee! My wife just had a baby and I'm gonna name him Weather-strip."

"How come?"

"Because he'll keep his daddy outta the draft."

The sergeant was drilling his recruit squad in the use of the rifle. All went well until the rooks were instructed to load their pieces and stand at the "ready."

Then the sergeant said: "Fire at will!"
Private Hunyak was puzzled. He lowered his rifle.
"Which one is Will?" he asked.

WHICH REMINDS US
AN OLD MAID WOULDN'T GO CHASING AFTER EVERY TOM, DICK, AND HARRY IF SHE HAD A WILL OF HER OWN.

"Have you got a picture of yourself?"
"Yeah."
"Then let me use that mirror. I wanta shave."

SURPRISE
"What are you cooking?"
"I don't know, but it certainly smells good."

WOULDN'T BE OUTDONE
Gabe Bouck, of Wisconsin, was one of the most picturesque characters who ever served in Congress. He was a colonel in a Civil War regiment from Wisconsin, and he was known and feared as a man of blood and iron. Even when he came to Congress he still wore his uniform of blue, with the brass buttons.

During the war one day a traveling evangelist struck his camp and said to Colonel Bouck: "I am a humble servant of the Lord, endeavoring to save the souls of the unregenerate. I have just left the camp of the 17th Massachusetts regiment, where I was instrumental in leading eight men into the paths of righteousness."

"Adjutant," thundered the hard-boiled colonel, after a moment's pause, "detail 10 men for baptism. I am not going to have it said that any confounded Massachusetts regiment is a-goin' to beat mine for piety."

BETWEEN THE COVERS

WAR WITHOUT MUSIC, by Peter Muir; Charles Scribner's Sons, New York; 262 pages; \$2.00

Peter Muir is a good-looking young man who wears a military uniform exceedingly well. He served in the battle of France as a section leader of an ambulance corps in the American Field Service. This book is the story of his capture by the Nazis and his escape from a concentration camp.

As an adventure story it is first rate. In fact, it would have sold into five figures as fiction. When Muir moralizes on Hitler and everything else that's happening over there the story suffers.

YOUR ARMY, published by National Publishers, Washington, D. C.; 93 pages; 25 cents.

This "Handbook for New Soldiers" is the right size to fit a denim pocket. It covers just about everything the recruit ought to know about the outfit he's in, and is handily suitable for easy reference.

There are condensed sections of the arms and services of the Army, ranks and grades, insignia, the makeup of the squad and company. The piece on military law is written so that a layman can understand it.

Definitely a "must" for the recruit—and for some old-timers.

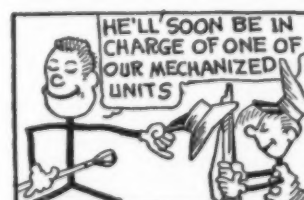
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Dix Soldiers Meet Their Hostess



Photo by Joe Modrens
Army Times Staff

FORT DIX, N. J.—Army hostesses are now being called up for service, boys, and if there isn't one at your post yet, don't worry, she'll be there.

Among the first to be appointed come out of the Corps Area and three of them have been sent to Fort Dix. Mrs. Ethel K. Logan, senior hostess, is already on the job. The others, Misses Bonnie B. Hawthorne and Ernestine Latimer, are due to arrive in a week.

Army Times was on the spot when the appointments came through. When the Times man heard Mrs. Logan was on duty he high-tailed over to the Hostess House to see what he could see. He saw Mrs. Logan and she was quite pleased, to put it mildly, with her new job.

We were about to settle down to a nice, friendly interview when a group of soldiers barged in to introduce themselves. That's what they said, but Mrs. Logan suspected they were more interested in giving her the "once over" than in the introductions. She received them graciously, talked to them about

their work, about their families back home, but they were mainly interested in what this hostess business was all about. Mrs. Logan explained.

In a nutshell, her job is to supervise various after-hours activities (such as the group singing shown above) that will promote camp morale. She'll help soldiers stage their own shows and dances, listen to their troubles, give guidance in choosing books, help them write letters home, and even act as an adviser to the lovelorn, if asked.

The Times man knew he was out-of-luck for an interview with the boys around and they showed no signs of leaving after grouping themselves around that piano.

At post headquarters we asked who made the final selections in picking the hostesses (we're curious). We were told that the name of the man was not disclosed for "obvious reasons."

Overnight Pass? Four-Bit Piece

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—This camp is laughing over The Incident of the Eagle and the Recruit Sentry.

A private without pass was trying to re-enter the reservation. When the sentry, a rookie, halted him he pulled out a half-dollar and showed the "eagle" side.

"What's that? inquired the sentry.

"Well, you wanted to see the pass for the day, didn't you?" countered the private.

"That ain't what they told me," said the sentry.

"Well, you ain't supposed to know everything," said the private and he walked on into camp, leaving the sentry leaning on his rifle and scratching his head.

INS Reporter Gets Soldier Eye-view Of Induction

FT. McPHERSON, Ga.—A newspaperman who has lived a thing through should be able to get a good story to the papers on his experience.

That is just what John R. Henry of INS did when he was assigned to write about the experiences of Inductees here. And that is the system many newspapers all over the country are using—having actual Trainees report day by day accounts of their new life.

Henry became a "soldier" for all practical purposes except that he gave up his bunk, serial number and food once he had lived the existence of a Selectee. He was aided by Army officials who in 1940 desire to acquaint the public with the defense program at the training end.

"Private Henry" was given a fictitious serial number, then was transferred with actual Selectees to the Reception Center. He religiously followed every step taken by the real Inductees. He stood all formations, was given the "IQ shot," classified and recorded in exactly the same manner as all the others.

Once inducted, Henry lolled on his own bunk for a few hours with his "buddies," smoking cigarettes and chewing the fat with men who had no inkling of his part in the defense program. After being "honorably discharged," he told Col. Frank E. Brokaw, commanding officer of the Reception Center, that "no civilian, not even an experienced newsman who handles Army news as a regular assignment, can really appreciate the smooth perfection of our Army's mobilization process until he has actually gone through every phase of it as I did."

First Boxing Card at Post

FT. McPHERSON, Ga.—This post's first boxing card of the season was held in the gym on Dec. 17.

Medics Keep Pace With Growth

FT. BENNING, Ga.—Pursuant to the War Department ruling that expansion of hospital facilities at army concentration points must keep pace with the growth of military population, Ft. Benning, has greatly increased its accommodations for the care of the sick.

Work now is under way on the construction of a complete medical center with facilities for 1,600 bed patients. This construction, so planned that it can readily be expanded to provide beds for 2,000 patients, will be an addition to the 250-bed hospital that had served the post since before the beginning of the present emergency.

At present, ample hospital facilities to care for the post's increasing population are being provided by the temporary conversion of well-constructed brick and concrete barracks buildings into hospital annexes.

The hospital staff, headed by Col. W. R. Dear, now consists of 54 Med. officers, 22 Dental officers, 11 Med. Adm. officers, and 64 nurses. Civilian employees number 42, and there are 788 enlisted men on duty.

In addition to the medical personnel, the department provides detachments with each regiment and there are organized medical units prepared to move with and serve their divisions in the field.

Also at the post is the 3d Evacuation Hospital, recently constituted and now receiving extensive training to prepare it to give field service to the 3d Army.

Dispensaries and clinics are located throughout the reservation to serve adjacent troop units. To these points, men answering sick call are sent daily for examination and treatment.

New Hospital Is Planned

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—The Army is to have a new General Hospital here that will cost \$1,042,000. It will be built on the Casa Loma tract off Hollister Ave., at the northwest edge of the city.

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Langley Field Offers Variety of Holiday Entertainment

LANGLEY FIELD, Va.—Holiday spirit prevails at this immense air base, and Saint Nicholas has assumed command. Extensive plans for Christmas celebrations, extending from Dec. 19 to Jan. 1, are being developed, and everyone is looking forward to royal time.

Barracks, mess halls, and quarters of officers and non-coms are festooned with wreaths, holly and mistletoe. Candles burn in the windows to invite the Child to enter.

The holiday schedule began last Thursday with religious services, at the Air Base Chapel. Sunday services are planned throughout the Sabbath morning. A Christmas pageant and party will be given at the gymnasium in the evening.

Monday there will be skating parties, and both the enlisted men and the officers will hold dances. Tuesday and Wednesday will be a round of parties, religious services and entertainments.

Throughout the rest of the week, dances, vaudeville and dramatic shows, basketball games and concerts will be presented. Brig. Gen. Clinton W. Russell is to broadcast over a nationwide hook-up.

Festivities will be concluded New Year's eve with a huge party at the Officers' Club, and services at the base Chapel on New Year's day.

Two Regiments Sent To New Stations

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Transfer of the 18th Eng. Regiment from Ft. Logan, Colo., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash., about Jan. 15 has been ordered by the War Department.

The 7th Inf. will move to Ft. Lewis, Wash., about the same time in another shift aimed at consolidating the entire 3d Division at that post. This would leave San Francisco's own 4th Inf. the main unit of the division not headquartered at the big Washington cantonment.

The Saga of Private Murphy

FORT McCLELLAN, Ala.—Pvt. Raymond Aloysius Murphy of the Puerto Rican Murphys, now of The Bronx, N. Y., is a soldier with many possibilities. This became apparent one Sunday when he was found singing with a Spanish accent in the Jewish Welfare Board's recreation center at Annis-ton.

Subsequent investigation by a reporter revealed that Private Murphy was the bugler for the 105th FA. And bugling is the only thing that Murphy does not do well.

From that time on, the facts piled up and Private Murphy emerged as a figure causing wonder among all and sundry at this post. Born 26 years ago of a long line of Murphys in Barceloneta, Puerto Rico, Murphy has acquired a stock of accomplishments that make him unique.

Lt. Edmund C. Murphy of the Roscommon Murphys is one of Private Murphy's officers in Headquarters Bty. The lieutenant says he almost fell over when the private gave his name (in a Spanish accent) upon enlisting Sept. 20. The lieutenant says he has almost fallen over practically every day since—startled by some new and blinding facet of the private's scintillating character.

On his classification card, Murphy is listed as an expert translator and interpreter of Spanish, a bicycle repairman, and a locksmith—in that order. He is not listed as a bugler, although that is his job. It seems he once picked up a bugle, regarded it for a moment, then sounded mess call. Like that. Then he became a bugler.

Can't Sound Fire Call

Private Murphy was bugler of the guard for the first time when the O. D. came around and asked him if he could sound Fire Call. Private Murphy shook his head. The only things he could play were Taps and Mess Call. He was told to play anything, very loud, if fire broke out.

Another time at reveille, Murphy became confused and played Pay Call instead of "The Muffin Man". He had a head start on the others and they had to join in. It was neither pay time nor pay day. People here still whisper about the sulphuric com-

ment made by Col. James Andrews, the regimental commander.

Once, at home in the Bronx, Private Murphy had a \$10 violin. When he could play "America" on it he sold it for \$1.50 and bought a second-hand bicycle. He fixed up the bike like new, sold it for \$12 and bought six second-hand bicycles. Most of them he took apart in his room and accumulated so many spare parts that they overflowed into the rest of the family apartment. Private Murphy's father, in desperation, bought out the General Bicycle Shop on St. Anns avenue and gave it to his son as a Christmas present. The place is closed while Murphy is in training.

That explains why he is listed as a bicycle repairman on his personnel card.

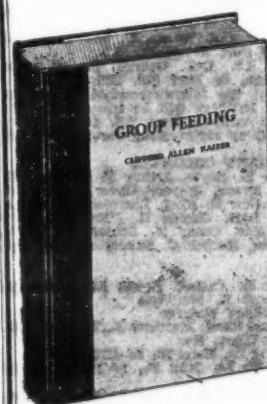
Is a Politician, Too

But there are many, many things about Private Murphy that cannot be easily explained. He is a lay preacher at the Presbyterian Church, with a circuit assignment. He has preached most often at the Bethesda Mission in Brooklyn. He is a notary public, complete with seal.

Private Murphy is an actor, too. His first appearance was at the Prospect Theater in Brooklyn in 1935. At that time he was given \$5 and a pie in the face by Harry Gibbon, movie comedian, who was willing to do most anything for a laugh.

And to round it all out, Murphy sings in a tenor voice, writes and speaks poetry. He was learning law by correspondence before he volunteered for the Army. His service interrupted his political career, also. In the November elections he received 600 write-in votes for city councilman representing The Bronx.

The whole thing began when Sir Anthony Murphy, a captain of the British navy, retired and settled in Puerto Rico in 1786. He was Private Murphy's great-great-grand-father.



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Lyon, Maj. Roy R., St. Clair Shores, Mich., to Chicago, Ill.

Adjutant General's Dept. Reserve

Halstead, Capt. Earl T., duty at Fort Knox, Ky.
Allman, Maj. Arnold A., to Wash., D. C.
Lawrence, 1st Lt. Ira W. E., to Ft. Bragg, N. C.
Blenski, 1st Lt. Francis M., to Wash., D. C.
Gigandet, 1st Lt. Francis V., to Wash., D. C.

Air Corps

Ennis, Maj. Arthur I., Fort Monroe, Va., to Wash., D. C.
Axtater, Lieut. Col. Karl S., Puerto Rican Dept., to Fort Monroe, Va.
Butler, Capt. Roy D., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Gent, Capt. Thomas J., Jr., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Kleffer, 1st Lieut. William B., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Anderson, Capt. Theodore B., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Sturdivant, 1st Lieut. Frank P., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Worden, 1st Lieut. Robert F., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Reddoch, 1st Lieut. Joseph C., Jr., Kelly Field, Tex., to Stockton, Calif.
Cheatwood, 1st Lt. John H., to Shreveport, La.
Kitchens, 1st Lieut. Cyrus W., Jr., Langley Field, Va., to Bowman Field, Ky.
Johnson, Lieut. Col. George P., Langley Field, Va., to Bowman Field, Ky.
Beque, Maj. John H., Edgewood, Md., to Hawaiian Dept.
Essman, Capt. Graydon C., Hawaiian Dept., to Edgewood, Md.

Air Corps Reserve

Warburton, Capt. Frank W., continued duty at Wash., D. C.
Coughlan, Capt. John K., New Hyde Park, N. Y., to Fort Bragg, N. C.
Spurgin, 2d Lieut. Thomas W., continued duty at Randolph Field, Tex.
Cornell, 1st Lieut. Loren, continued duty at Patterson Field, Ohio.
Borden, Capt. Mitchell P., continued duty at Langley Field, Va.
Cerruti, Maj. Frank A., duty at Washington, D. C.
Metzger, Capt. Samuel S., Washington, D. C., to Santa Monica, Calif.
Ford, 2d Lieut. John W., Langley Field, Va., to Hawaiian Dept.
Warburton, Capt. Frank W., Washington, D. C., to Dayton, Ohio.
Eyer, Capt. Lawrence J., duty at Washington, D. C.
Lyon, Maj. William R., Boonton, N. J., to Washington, D. C.
Benson, Maj. Kenneth R., Erie, Pa., to Washington, D. C.
Niederhoffer, Capt. William F., Oakland, Calif., to Fort Harrison, Ind.
Martindale, 2d Lieut. Howard S., Rio Rico, Ariz., to Kelly Field, Tex.
Moshier, Capt. Kenneth W., to Chicago, Ill.
Amburge, Capt. Irwin S., to Detroit, Mich.
Bowman, Capt. Edward H., to Wash., D. C.
Haynes, Capt. Orvil W., to Tulsa, Okla.
Jenkins, Capt. Nelson D., Hamilton Field, Calif., to home, inactive status.
Wellers, 1st Lieut. Ira J., Jr., Birmingham, Ala., to Langley Field, Va.
Bellis, 2d Lieut. Roland W., Buffalo, N. Y., to Dayton, Ohio.
Hook, Fred G., Jr., Memphis, Tenn., to Fort Knox, Ky.

Cavalry

Allen, Lt. Col. Henry T., Rochester, N. Y., to Fort Myer, Va.
Buchly, Lt. Col. Walter E., Fort Riley, Kans., to Fort Rosecrans, Calif.
Donaldson, Maj. Thomas Q., Jr., Fort Myer, Va., to Fort Riley, Kans.
Stewart, Lieut. Col. Harold P., Fort Brown, Tex., to Fort Riley, Kans.
Thompson, Maj. Earl F., Fort Riley, Kans., to Fort Bliss, Tex.
Miller, Capt. Whiteside, Fort Riley, Kans., to El Centro, Calif.
Holt, Lt. Col. Harold G., to Fort Riley, Kans.
Isely, Capt. Charles M., to Fort Riley, Kans.
Youngs, Col. William H. W., to Des Moines, Iowa.
Richart, Lt. Col. Duncan G., to Fort Riley, Kans.

Cavalry Reserve

Donohoe, 2d Lt. Charles J., Fort Meade, B. D., to Fort Riley, Kans.

Chaplain Corps Reserve

Shull, 1st Lt. Jesse C., to Ft. Custer, Mich.
Bayers, 1st Lt. David McK., to Seelye, Calif.

Chemical Warfare Service

Decker, Capt. Nelson I., Dayton, Ohio, to Edgewood, Md.
Each of the following-named officers of the Coast Artillery Corps will be transferred from the Hawaiian Dept. to Fort Eustis, Va.:

LIEUTENANT COLONELS

Henry R. Behrens, George Blaney and Abraham M. Lawrence.
O'Connell, Lieut. Col. Geoffrey M., Fort Totten, N. Y., to Fort Eustis, Va.
Chipman, Lieut. Col. Albert D., Wilmington, Del., to Fort Dupont, Del.
Lavery, Lieut. Col. Arthur L., Buffalo, N. Y., to Fort Eustis, Va.
Pitts, Lieut. Col. Otto G., Pittsburgh, Pa., to Fort Eustis, Va.
Dunham, Maj. William H. J., Omaha, Neb., to Wash., D. C.
Ellis, Maj. Hamilton P., Hawaiian Dept., to Fort Sheridan, Ill.
De Camp, Lieut. Col. John T., Fort Hancock, N. J., to Washington, D. C.
Stuart, Capt. Alexander J., Jr., Dover, N. J., to West Point, N. Y.
Crawford, Col. James B., Fort Scott, Calif., to Hollyridge, N. C.
McCroskey, Lt. Col. Samuel L., Washington, D. C., to Hollyridge, N. C.
Dennis, Col. Edward B., Fort Banks, Mass., to duty.
Roberts, Lt. Col. Caesar R., Cincinnati, Ohio, to Fort Sheridan, Ill.
Hitchings, Capt. John L., Fort Barrancas, Fla., to Panama Canal Dept.
Hardy, Capt. Robert M., Panama Canal Dept., to Fort Rosecrans, Calif.
Ladd, Lieut. Col. Rolla V., Fort Crockett, Tex., to Hitchcock, Tex.
Jones, Lieut. Col. Clifford R., duty at Camp Stewart, Savannah, Ga.
Muller, 2d Lieut. Thomas H., Randolph Field, Tex., to Fort Worden, Wash.
Glimor, Col. Albert, to Ft. Ontario, N. Y.
Murphy, 2d Lt. Edward A., Jr., to Moffett Field, Calif.
Brown, Lt. Col. Robert D., duty at Fort Ontario, N. Y.
Fluken, Lt. Col. Archibald D., duty at Fort Ontario, N. Y.
Lamson, Maj. Donald D., Fort Worden, Wash., to Fort Scott, Calif.
Heasty, 1st Lt. Charles F., Jr., New York, N. Y., to Fort Hancock, N. J.
Cooper, Capt. Harry B., Jr., Fort Lewis, Wash., to Hollyridge, N. C.
Cochran, 1st Lt. James M., Fort Lewis, Wash., to Hollyridge, N. C.
Each of the following-named Coast Artillery officers will be transferred from Fort Sheridan, Ill., to Puerto Rican Department.

FIRST LIEUTENANTS

Malcolm R. Derby; Roswell H. Graves; Arpad A. Kopeck; William H. Wall, Jr.

SECOND LIEUTENANTS

Malcolm R. Harvey; Harold N. Kaufman.

Glade, 1st Lieut. Kenneth, March Field, Calif., to Fort Hamilton, N. Y.
Each of the following-named officers of the Coast Artillery will be transferred from the Hawaiian Dept. to Hollyridge, N. C.

CAPTAINS

William W. Bailey; William S. Cort; Frederick E. Day; Walter C. Conway; Frank T. Folk; Ralph I. Glasgow; Raymond W. Rumph; Oscar B. Stealy.
Coast Artillery Reserve
Evans, Capt. Robert W., Waco, Tex., to Dayton, Ohio.
Mincher, 1st Lieut. George F., Gulfport, Miss., to Savannah, Ga.
DeHart, Capt. Stanley B., to home, inactive status.
Boyd, 1st Lt. William T., Fort Scott, Calif., to Fort Monroe, Va.
McFeters, 2d Lt. Glen A., Minneapolis, Minn., to Mount Clemens, Mich.
Ewing, 2d Lieut. Jewel W., Gloster, Miss., to MacDill Field, Fla.
Following 2d Lts. to Puerto Rican Dept.:
Goldblum, Kirby D.
Hanson, Arthur F.
Murphy, Allen H.
Young, Robert W.
Fardahl, Capt. Nels, Little Rock, Ark., to Randolph Field, Tex.
McCormick, Capt. George E., Jr., Indianapolis, Ind., to Fort Snelling, Minn.
Wilson, 1st Lt. Grover L., Jr., Fairfield, Ala., to Langley Field, Va.
Rhody, 1st Lt. Dean A., Starr, S. C., to Savannah, Ga.
Friebe, 2d Lt. Gerald J., St. Paul, Minn., to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
Pillous, 2d Lt. Paul, Darlington, S. C., to Savannah, Ga.
Geldel, Capt. Norman L., Langley Field, Va., to Bowman Field, Ky.
Dental Reserve Corps
Trumbull, Capt. Drayton L., Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to Hawaiian Dept.
Lyon, 1st Lt. Leon R., to Hawaiian Dept.
Gregory, 1st Lt. Albert E., to Fairfield, Ohio.

Engineer Corps

Somerville, Lieut. Col. Brehon B., to duty with Quartermaster Corps, Washington, D. C.
Downing, Capt. Ellsworth B., Fort Benning, Ga., to Washington, D. C.
Noce, Lieut. Col. Daniel, Memphis, Tenn., to Rolla, Mo.
Newcomer, Capt. David A., Fort Benning, Ga., to Fort Belvoir, Va.
Zimmerman, Capt. George J., Mobile, Ala., to Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Plank, Maj. Ewart G., to Wash., D. C.
Catulla, Maj. Louis, to Wash., D. C.
Larson, Capt. Arthur A., to Burlington, Iowa.

Engineer Reserve

Jung, 1st Lieut. Charles E., Langley Field, Va., to Bowman Field, Ky.
Roe, Maj. Charles H., Washington, D. C., to New York, N. Y.
Cohen, Capt. Sigmund, Atlanta, Ga., to Charleston, S. C.
Mandigo, 1st Lt. James A., Richards Field, Kans., to Wash., D. C.
Kunz, 1st Lt. Paul E., Chicago, Ill., to Abilene, Tex.
Kennedy, Capt. Charles E., Leon, Iowa, to Newburg, Mo.
Bell, Capt. Robert, Santa Barbara, Calif., to duty.
Maguire, Capt. Frank J., Baltimore, Md., to Madison, Ind.
Granby, Lieut. Col. Lloyd H., Brunswick, Ga., to Fort Screven, Ga.
Field Artillery
Wallis, Lieut. Col. Severn T., Savannah, Ga., to Fort Bragg, N. C.
Bennet, Maj. Alexander S., duty at Savannah, Ga.
Bush, Maj. James E., Boston, Mass., to Richmond, Va.
Ingile, Lieut. Col. Fred B., Seattle, Wash., to Naciminto, Calif.
Hoagland, Lt. Col. Dale M., duty at Fort Sill, Okla.
Faulconer, Lt. Col. John W., Jr., duty at Fort Bragg, N. C.
White, Lt. Col. Samuel, duty at Fort Houston, Tex.
Wood, Col. William S., Miami, Fla., to Fort Allen, Va.
Sheridan, Lt. Col. Joseph A., Pittsburgh, Pa., to New Cumberland, Pa.
Taubee, Col. Milton H., Fort Bragg, N. C., to Camp Lee, Va.
Franko, Col. Gustav H., duty at Fort Bragg, N. C.
Murphy, Maj. John B., duty at Fort Bragg, N. C.
Lewis, Lt. Col. Ray H., New Orleans, La., to Camp Grant, Ill.
Booker, Col. Philip W., duty at Fort Sill, Okla.
Butner, Lt. Col. John C., Jr., Lakeland, Fla., to Fort Bragg, N. C.
Lattimore, Lt. Col. Benjamin B., Columbus, Miss., to Fort Sill, Okla.
Smith, Maj. Michael G., Andalusia, Ala., to Fort Bragg, N. C.
McDowall, Lt. Col. John, Ogden, Utah, to Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.
Marce, Capt. Mervin MacK., duty at Fort Sill, Okla.
Kernan, Lt. Col. William F., Galveston, Tex., to Fort Russell, Tex.
McCormick, Col. Chester B., New York, N. Y., to Fort Allen, Va.
Parker, Lieut. Col. Edwin W., Jr., Richmond, Va., to Fort Bragg, N. C.
Beurket, Lt. Col. George S., Caracas, Venezuela, to Fort Sill, Okla.
Each of the following-named officers of the Field Artillery will be transferred from the Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla., to the Field Artillery replacement center, Fort Sill, Okla.

LIEUTENANT COLONELS

Charles E. Boyle, Arthur F. Doran, William F. Evans, Raynor Garey, Robert F. Hyatt, Arthur E. King, Lawrence A. Kurtz, Fred B. Lyle, George R. Middleton, John M. Reynolds, Oscar N. Schjervon, Arnold W. Shutter, Russell C. Snyder and John A. Steere.

MAJORS

Charles D. Calley, Frank E. Kaufman, and Wilbert E. Shallen.
Field Artillery Reserve
Kwolek, 1st Lieut. Matthew J., Marion, Ind., to Fort Knox, Ky.
Hubble, 1st Lt. Ustei E., to Abilene, Tex.
Nadzman, 2d Lt. John B., to Puerto Rican Dept.
Cassel, 1st Lieut. Charles G., Spokane, Wash., to Hawaiian Dept.
Fulton, 1st Lt. Lee W., New Berlin, Ill., to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
Haddad, 1st Lt. Frederick B., Panama Canal Dept., to home, inactive status.
Tyler, Capt. Joe C., Bakersfield, Calif., to Moffett Field, Calif.
Mercer, 1st Lieut. Frank, Granite City, Ill., to Fort Knox, Ky.
Welty, 1st Lieut. Wayne R., Eugene, Oreg., to McChord Field, Wash.

Infantry

Hunt, Col. Charles A., to be retired from active service.
Warren, Col. Shields, to be retired from active service.
Nesbit, Maj. Robert L., to be retired from active service.
Chaffin, Col. Andrew D., to be retired from active service.
Lennon, Lt. Col. Bert M., Des Moines, Iowa, to Camp Beauregard, La.
Norris, Lt. Col. Leon E., Tampa, Fla., to Fort Jay, N. Y.
Hicks, Col. George R., retired from active service.
Strock, Maj. Glen T., Fort Ontario, N. Y., to Fort Jay, N. Y.
Lucas, Lieut. Col. Burton L., Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., to Fort Meade, Md.
Lampke, Lieut. Col. Louis J., Johnstown, Pa., to Williamsport, Pa.
Mackechnie, Lieut. Col. Archibald R., Rockford, Ill., to Camp Grant, Ill.
Harris, Maj. Herbert R., San Francisco, Calif., to Fort Jay, N. Y.
Soderholm, Lt. Col. Nels L., Belleville, Ill., to Fort Brady, Mich.
Sebastian, Lt. Col. Henry G., Philippines Dept., to Fort Barrancas, Fla.
McGee, Lt. Col. Arthur P., Winston-Salem, N. C., to Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Hanast, Lt. Col. Kenneth F., Columbus, Ohio, to Camp Beauregard, La.

Bush, Maj. Hal C., Knoxville, Tenn., to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Kemp, Lt. Col. Charles McK., Austin, Tex., to Brownwood, Tex.

Santrason, Lt. Col. Ernest, to Fort Devens, Mass.

Adler, Lt. Col. Carl J., to Camp Peay, Tenn.

Fitzpatrick, Lt. Col. Rufe McA., to Camp Peay, Tenn.

Winfield, Lt. Col. Richard M., to Fort Niagara, N. Y.

Campbell, Lt. Col. John W., to Fort Snelling, Minn.

Luck, Lt. Col. Harry C., to Camp Hulen, Tex.

Churchill, Col. James M., to Fort Benning, Ga.

Bertram, Col. Edward H., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash.

Duval, Maj. Andrew R., to Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyo.

Arnold, Lt. Col. Rhodes F., to Naciminto, Calif.

Murphy, Lt. Col. John J., to Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Lynch, Lt. Col. John, to Brownwood, Tex.

Snow, Lt. Col. Robert T., to Camp Upton, N. Y.

Gale, Lt. Col. Carroll M., to Camp Shelby, Miss.

Keen, Lt. Col. Hugh B., to Columbia, S. C.

Shoe, Lt. Col. Robert O., to Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Smith, Lt. Col. Estil V., Philippine Dept., to Fort Adams, R. I.

Connor, Maj. George R., Philippine Dept., to Fort Banks, Mass.

Rarey, Lt. Col. George H., Baltimore, Md.

McKee, Maj. William H., Fort Worth, Tex., to Camp Wolters, Tex.

Eason, Maj. John DeL., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Burnap, Lt. Col. Arthur E., New York, N. Y., to Fort Lewis, Wash.

Parlin, Lt. Col. Charles McD., Erie, Pa., to Camp Blanding, Fla.

Fales, Lt. Col. Clark K., San Antonio, Tex., to Fort Custer, Mich.

Bowen, Lt. Col. Arthur F., Denver, Colo., to Camp Wolters, Tex.

Allen, Lt. Col. Dana H., Ardmore, Okla., to Fort Benning, Ga.

Connor, Maj. Emmett M., Dallas, Tex., to Camp Blanding, Fla.

Daniels, 2d Lt. Henry F., Randolph Field, Tex., to Fort Warren, Wyo.

Wharton, Maj. Sidney F., Seattle, Wash., to Fort Benning, Ga.

Duval, Maj. Andrew R., Casper, Wyo., to Fort Warren, Wyo.

Vinson, Maj. Wilbur H., duty at Wash., D. C.

Shepherd, Lieut. Col. Marion F., Reading, Pa., to Spartanburg, S. C.

Pickens, Lieut. Col. Jerome, Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., to Pine Camp, N. Y.

Lawrence, Lieut. Col. Jacob H., Fort Wright, Wash., to Rolla, Mo.

Infantry Reserve
Wickham, Col. Cornelius W., detailed as member of the General Staff Corps.

Weaver, Capt. Leslie F., duty at Picatinny Arsenal, N. J.

Downs, Capt. William A., Danville, Ill., to Mount Clemens, Mich.

Williams, 1st Lt. Robert E., Derma, Miss., to Maxwell Field, Ala.

Hastings, Capt. George D., Flagstaff, Ariz., to Hamilton Field, Calif.

Yawitz, 2d Lt. Joseph V., University City, Mo., to Dayton, Ohio.

Smith, Lieut. Col. Feay B., continued duty at Washington, D. C.

Leasure, Maj. Clyde B., Fort MacArthur, Calif., to Washington, D. C.

Duncan, 1st Lieut. Joseph V., Fort Screven, Ga., to Naciminto, Calif.

Bokovoy, 1st Lieut. Roy E., Hamilton Field, Calif., to Washington, D. C.

Ruhe, 1st Lieut. Harry A., Chicago Heights, Ill., to Mount Clemens, Mich.

Sutton, 1st Lieut. Francis M., Monroe, N. C., to Langley Field, Va.

Barber, 1st Lieut. William B., Chester, S. C., to Langley Field, Va.

Wilson, 1st Lt. Herchel W., Laurens, S. C., to Savannah, Ga.

Stinnette, 1st Lt. Gaynes F., Beckley, W. Va., to Mitchell Field, N. Y.

Fish, 2d Lt. George H., Lowry Field, Colo., to Randolph Field, Tex.

von Fein, James H., to Randolph Field, Tex.

Cannon, 1st Lt. Oscar K., to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Leary, 1st Lt. Wade T., to Maxwell Field, Ala.

Stribbling, Maj. Fred D., to Fort Ord, Calif.

Doerr, Capt. Paul L., to Washington, D. C.

Cotter, 1st Lt. Marcus E., to Puerto Rican Department.

Brown, 1st Lt. Joel R., Jr., to March Field, Calif.

Berwick, 2d Lt. Dudley R., to Randolph Field, Tex.

Culbertson, Capt. James A., Kilgore, Tex., to March Field, Calif.

Draper, Col. William H., Jr., duty at Wash., D. C.

Healy, Capt. Charles F., Indianapolis, Ind., to Mount Clemens, Mich.

Brooks, 1st Lt. Clyde E., Kansas City, Mo., to Dayton, Ohio.

Brown, 1st Lieut. Frank L., Fort Custer, Mich., to Puerto Rican Dept.

Hamilton, 1st Lieut. Floyd E., Fort Custer, Mich., to Puerto Rican Dept.

Warren, Capt. William C., duty at Tampa, Fla.

Black, Capt. Carl R., Erie, Pa., to Mitchell Field, N. Y.

Berryhill, Capt. Earl J., Littlefield, Tex., to McChord Field, Wash.

Jordan, Capt. William D., Boise, Idaho, to McChord Field, Wash.

Seal, 1st Lieut. Benjamin C., Chicago, Ill., to St. Louis, Mo.

Thomason, 1st Lieut. Clarence T., duty at Wash., D. C.

Pitts, 1st Lieut. Thomas M., Denver, Colo., to Sacramento, Calif.

Banks, 2nd Lieut. John V., duty with station at Vancouver Barracks, Wash.

Armstrong, 2nd Lieut. Judson T., Quantico, Va., to Langley Field, Va.

Judge Advocate General's Dept. Reserve
Morrison, Maj. William R. C., Fort Lewis, Wash., to Hawaiian Dept.

Slattery, Capt. Eugene V., Washington, D. C., to Hawaiian Dept.

Medical Corps
Smith, Lt. Col. Andrew W., March Field, Calif., to San Francisco, Calif.

Lundberg, Capt. Carl R., Fort Leavenworth, Kans., to Washington, D. C.

Madigan, Lt. Col. John J., Fort Meade, Md., to Washington, D. C.

Nelson, 1st Lt. Howard B., Brooklyn, N. Y., to St. Louis, Mo.

Jones, 1st Lt. Hugh W., Fort Monroe, Va., to Washington, D. C.

Simmons, 1st Lt. Sigwert W., Fort Thomas, Ky., to Hawaiian Dept.

Green, Maj. Mack M., Panama Canal Dept., to Brooklyn, N. Y.

Real, Maj. Mackey J., Dental Corps, Panama Canal Dept., to Brooklyn, N. Y.

Gansan, Capt. John E., Philippine Dept., to Brooklyn, N. Y.

Cullen, Capt. John K., Hawaiian Dept., to Fort Mason, Calif.

O'Donnell, Capt. John W., Hawaiian Dept., to Fort Mason, Calif.

Blance, Lieut. Col. Clarke, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, to Riverside, Calif.

Linsman, Capt. Joseph F., Fort Bliss, Tex., to El Paso, Tex.

George, Capt. William S., San Francisco, Calif., to San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Mitchell, Capt. James O., Dental Corps, Fort Wright, Wash., to Fort Houston, Tex.

Bel, Lieut. Col. Charles A., retired from service.

Mosley, Capt. Harry G., Fort Lincoln, N. Dak., to Patterson Field, Ohio.

Bernheim, 1st Lieut. Julian R., Fort Totten, N. Y., to Langley Field, Va.

Funsch, 1st Lieut. Harold P., Fort Omaha, Neb., to Scott Field, Ill.

Helms, 1st Lieut. Fred A., Fort Ringgold, Tex., to Elgin Field, Fla.

Moffitt, 1st Lieut. Oscar P., Jr., N. York, N. Y., to Fort McPherson, Ga.

Smith, 1st Lieut. Allen D., Fort Moultrie, S. C., to MacDill Field, Fla.

Moore, Maj. George B., Jr., Fort Houston, Tex., to Camp Claiborne, La.

Bliss, Col. Raymond W., El Paso, Tex., to Fort Sill, Okla.

Ducat, Lt. Col. Reginald, Fort Niagara, N. Y., to Hawaiian Dept.

Shira, Capt. Robert B., Dental Corps, Fort Field, La., to Canal Zone.

Cohen, Capt. Ephraim B., Jefferson Barracks, Mo., to Chanute Field, Ill.

Saxer, Capt. Alton H., Fort Logan, Colo., to Denver, Colo.

Anderson, 1st Lt. Kermit H., Fort McChord Field, Wash., to St. Louis, Mo.

Dowell, Lieut. Col. John Van E., Jr., Fort Houston, Tex., to Brooks Field, Tex.

Asbill, Capt. Stephen G., Vet. Corps, Fort Sanborn, 1st Lt. Ennis B., Fort Riley, Kans., to Fort Houston, Tex.

Bliss, Tex., to Fort Houston, Tex.

Kans., to Wash., D. C.

McKnight, Col. John R., to Fort Monmouth, N. J.

Following officers to Camp Grant, Ill.:
Lindown, Lt. Col. George E.

Pinger, Lt. Col. Frank W.

Reagan, Lt. Col. Thomas H.

Smith, Lt. Col. William A.

McConkie, Maj. Howard C., detailed as

Victor, Capt. Clement R.

Weller, Capt. Wendell A., to El Paso, Tex.

Moore, Lt. Col. Frank McA., to Camp Lee, Va.

Ringer, Maj. Merritt G., to Camp Lee, Va.

Peyton, Capt. Robert E., to Camp Lee, Va.

Royals, Lt. Col. Walter C., detailed as

Missourians Want Training Center Named 'Pershing'

KANSAS CITY, MO.—A move is on foot to name the new Army training center near Rolla, Mo., "Camp John J. Pershing."

The idea was given a push during the week when 22 past commanders, together with the present commander of the Sanford Brown, jr., Post of the American Legion adopted a resolution and sent a copy of it to War Department officials urging them to take the necessary steps.

They pointed out that the Rolla area is still known officially as the "Seventh Corps Area Training Center," calling it a vague designation, lacking in sentiment.

They expressed particular desire to name the area after the famous general as Pershing is a distinguished son of Missouri.

The Rolla cantonment will be one of the Army's largest training centers. It will have 35,000 officers and men. The 6th Regular Army Div., consisting of regiments and separate units from posts in this section, will be the basic training unit.

There will also be an engineer replacement center of about 17,000 men, National Guard heavy artillery regiments and other outfits.

General Pershing was referred to in the resolution as "Missouri's most distinguished living son." It was urged that such an Army training center in the state could not have a more appropriate designation than to be named for the commander-in-chief of the A.E.F., "who led us to victory in the Great War and for whom we have the highest esteem and respect."

Construction Div. Of QMC Headed By Somervell



Colonel Somervell

Col. Brehon Somervell, distinguished officer of the Army Corps of Engineers, was named late this week as Chief of Construction in the Quartermaster General's office.

He succeeds Brig. Gen. Charles D. Hartman, who was relieved from duty to enter Walter Reed Hospital from overwork encountered in the gigantic cantonment-building program.

Col. Somervell has been serving as WPA chief in New York. He is regarded as one of the most capable members of the Army's Corps of Engineers.

Gen. Hartman was promoted to his present rank last March. During the World War he won the Distinguished Service Medal for his work in the Construction Division of the QMC.

Infantry School Graduates 340 Officers in Weapons Course

FT. BENNING, GA.—A class of 340 officers cleared the Infantry School graduation hurdles in time for a breathing spell before the Yuletide period and returned to their units with the good wishes of Brig. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, commandant, who cautioned them to plan carefully their training work.

The class was one of three in the school's Rifle and Heavy Weapons Company course. Its members had worked hard for three months without any short cuts in instruction; they received certificates attesting to their training. A new class of 400 will start the same course here on Jan. 2.

"In saying goodbye to you," Gen. Hodges told the graduates, "I wish to express my appreciation for the good work you have done here at the school. While your course of instruction has been short, I feel that you have covered sufficient ground to feel confidence in your ability to measure up to the tasks before you."

"Regiments throughout the service are very short on qualified instructors in individual, platoon and company training. Selective Service men will soon begin to pour into all Infantry units to bring them up to strength and the detailed training of these young men is going to be your big job."

"From now on, as long as you remain in the service, you are going to find yourself in the role of instructor in some form or other. Company and platoon commanders are commanders in every sense of the word but first and foremost they are instructors of their units."

"When you return to your regiments, you are confronted at once with the problem of planning for the instruction of your command and carrying out that instruction. It is our hope that we have better equipped you gentlemen to carry out these duties."

Active Pilot Commands Panama Air Force

QUARRY HEIGHTS, C. Z.—Maj. Gen. Frank M. Andrews arrived at Cristobal on Dec. 6 aboard the USAT "American Legion." He was greeted by a formation of the Panama Air Force, consisting of bombardment and pursuit organizations, including the 9th Bombardment Group of Rio Hato, their first tactical participation since arrival in this department.

General Andrews has been an active pilot since 1917, when he served overseas as a major and a lieutenant colonel in the then Aviation Section of the Signal Corps. He now is rated as a Command Pilot and Combat Observer. The military leader was first commissioned from West Point as a Cavalry officer.

AC Engineering Course Announced by Ninth

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Former Flying Cadets and certain civilians able to meet the physical requirements are eligible to take a course of training to qualify as Air Corps ground-duty officers.

This engineering opportunity was announced this week by Maj. Gen. Ernest D. Peek, commanding general of the IX Corps Area. Gen. Peek said the course carries with it no pilot training. The program is designed to qualify students as "Squadron Engineering Officers." First priority candidates will be college graduates with engineering degrees.

Army's Needs for Vegetables And Fruits Being Studied

The Army's need of fresh fruits and vegetables is being studied by a special committee that came to Washington to confer this week with Douglas C. MacKeachie, assistant coordinator of National Defense Purchases. Cooperation of all factors in the fresh fruit and vegetable trades with Army procurement officials was assured by the committee.

Canal Zone Radio Chief QSOs with Byrd's Boys

ALBROOK FIELD, C. Z.—"KC4USA calling Canal Zone. KC4USA calling Canal Zone. Go ahead, please."

That has been a familiar call at Albbrook Field in recent days. Pfc. A. D. Melvin, communications chief of Base Flight and a member of the 15th Air Base Sqdn., has been in contact with Admiral Byrd's polar expedition in the South Pole on several occasions. The first contact with Little America came at 7:20 p. m. on Nov. 8, when the Albbrook Field amateur station K5AP, operated by Pfc. Melvin, picked up KC4USA.

That station is operating from the West Base in Little America and is used for contact with the United States in transmitting official and personal messages for the personnel of the Byrd Expedition. Since that first contact, several calls have been exchanged with remarkably good reception. The operator of the Polar station identifies himself as "Ted" and while the conversations are never over ten minutes in length they are informative. In the latest exchange of calls "Ted" said the expedition was enjoying very warm weather. It was 16 degrees below zero. The entire expedition is enjoying success and good health, said the voice of the South Pole.

At the request of the radio division of the Byrd Expedition, Pfc. Melvin is going to contact the Little America station nightly so that in the event any emergency arises, Byrd's men can be advised. Personal messages from the men of the expedition may also be sent to friends in the Canal Zone. Pfc. Melvin said that as the dry

season sets in, the reception will become constantly better. He contacted all South American countries on his set prior to the ban placed on amateur operators. He also contacted European stations before the War caused a curtailment of "ham" operations.

Movies Get Horsey Because of Army

HOLLYWOOD—For once this bountiful city of make-believers is running short of something. Not beautiful girls or money or Grade B pictures, but of horses. And it's all the Army's fault, by gosh. A Paramount producer, who makes westerns by the dozens, was tearing his hair out (usual sign of frustration in Hollywood) the other day, lamenting the fact that the Army was buying up all the good horses and forgetting that the movie industry needs the beasts, too.

Harry Sherman is the frustrated producer. Shortly after the Army announced that about 300 more horses were needed to fill the quota for this area, he appealed to officials and offered to head a committee of western producers to co-operate with the Army in finding the necessary horses with the "least possible interference to an essential civil industry."

It so happens that the kind of animals the Army wants are the same movie producers need, he explained.

Meanwhile, the War Department announced that by Christmas at least 7,000 more horses and mules will be bought for the Army. More than 12,000 of these animals have already been purchased for the remount service in the past five months.

All of which makes it tougher for Hollywood, and Hollywood is worried.

(Mr. Sherman didn't say anything about the mules.)

You're in the Army Now

by Herc Finklen



Brazilians Visit US Posts

Accompanied by his military aide, Brig. Gen. Amaro Soares Bittencourt, first Asst. Chief of Staff of the Brazilian Army, visited Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, and other officials in Washington early this week. He proceeded to New York from the national capital, having arrived in the East after a trip from Mexico via San Antonio. Gen. Bittencourt and his aide, Lt. Col. Stenio Caio de Albuquerque, visited the many military establishments around San Antonio while stopping there. On or about Jan. 3, they will start from New York on a ten-day inspection tour of military posts and industrial plants. The visitors then will make an indefinite sojourn in New York on business for their government.

Two members of the Brazilian Military Commission in New York—Capt. M. Frankel and Capt. J. M. Da Silva—joined General Marshall and other American officials in greeting General Bittencourt upon his arrival in Washington.

Opening Postponed By Theater Group

FORT MONROE, Va.—The dramatic production "Penny-Wise," scheduled for presentation at the Post Theater on the afternoon of Dec. 22, has been postponed until Jan. 12, 1941, due to the Christmas holidays.

The play, written by Jean Ferguson Black, will be presented by the following cast: Mrs. Howard W. Hunter, Mrs. John C. Tredennick, Miss Margaret Gadacz, Miss Denny Ricker, Lt. Bernard Friar, Lt. John C. Tredennick and Lt. Paul V. Bauxbaum.

The Dramatic Club officers are: Lt. Col. Wilbur S. Elliot, president; Mrs. L. W. Goeppert, vice-president; Maj. Norman E. Hartman, secretary-treasurer, and Capt. Robert J. Wood, business manager.

The following are in charge of productions: Lt. Robert H. Alexander, director; Maj. Douglas G. Pamplin, stage manager, and Mrs. George Ricker, makeup and prompter.

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Patterson Gets New Berth

As Robert Porter Patterson, who has been serving as Asst. Secretary of War, was appointed Under Secretary of War by President Roosevelt this week, two other civilians were chosen to serve in the War Department as special assistants.

The announced appointments involved John J. McCloy, member of a New York law firm, and Robert A. Lovett, New York banker and director of several railroads and industrial concerns.

The job held by Patterson became temporarily vacant with his new appointment. The post of Under Secretary of War was recently created by Congress.

It is expected that Patterson will continue as principal executive of the Army procurement program but that his work will be lightened by the new appointments. Both McCloy and Lovett are World War veterans. The former was an Artillery captain in the AEF and Lovett made a distinguished record as a Navy flyer during the war.

Branch Medical Schools Established for Army Air Corps Stations

LANGLEY FIELD, Va.—Eighteen branches of the School of Aviation Medicine, Randolph Field, Tex., have been established at various Air Corps stations, one of which is at Langley Field. Others are located at scattered points in the States, the Panama Canal Zone and Hawaii.

The schools were set up to provide active duty officers of the Med. Corps Res. with training as aviation medical center examiners. Students will be men who already have completed the extension course of the School of Aviation Medicine.

Army Orders

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Buckley, Lt. Col. William R., to Washington, D. C.
Wald, Maj. George, to Camp Upton, N. Y.
Huntberry, Capt. Walter A., to Fort Dix, N. J.
Edmunds, Maj. James B., Fort Ord, Calif., to Fort Knox, Ky.
Fogle, Lt. Col. Fred M., Jeffersonville, Ind., to Washington, D. C.
Stecker, Maj. Hubert A., duty at Fort Crook, Neb.
Feldman, Lieut. Col. Herman, duty at Washington, D. C.
Quartermaster Reserve
Padgett, Lieut. Col. Edgar F., Wash., D. C., to Camp Lee, Va.
Soubrier, Maj. Edward V., duty at Wash., D. C.
Bucknum, Capt. Cornelius L., duty at Camp Shelby, Miss.
Llewellyn, Capt. John G., duty at Wash., D. C.
Lomet, Capt. Pierre, Jr., Fort Hancock, N. J., to home, inactive status.
Broadbent, Capt. Everett E., duty at Wash., D. C.
Smith, Maj. Julius R., duty at Washington, D. C.
Allen, Maj. Arthur E., duty at Wash., D. C.
Hutchinson, Capt. William H., duty at Wash., D. C.
Zapalac, 2nd Lieut. LeRoy C., Dallas, Tex., to Wash., D. C.
Reichman, 2nd Lieut. Alfred A., duty at Wash., D. C.
Stevens, Lt. Col. Arthur G., Wash., D. C., to Brooklyn, N. Y.
Pettibone, Maj. Elmer K., duty at Presidio, of San Francisco, Calif.
Potter, Maj. Loren W., Wash., D. C., to Fort Royal, Va.
Cox, Maj. Thomas A., Jr., Camp Shelby, Miss., to Camp San Luis, Calif.
Galt, Capt. William R., Augusta, Ga., to Fort Hayes, Ohio.
Copeland, Capt. John W., Fort Knox, Ky., to Abilene, Tex.
Nelson, Capt. Curtis A., to Joliet, Ill.
Lewis, 1st Lt. Perley M., to Anchorage, Alaska.
Heslep, 2nd Lt. John H., Jr., to Newburg, Mo.
Minor, 2nd Lt. Edward, to Wash., D. C.
Schlesinger, Lt. Col. Harold E., Fort Wayne, Mich., to Wash., D. C.
Gutmann, D. C. Addis, Seattle, Wash., to Wash., D. C.
Geyer, Capt. Ernest H., Fort Monroe, Va., to Baltimore, Md.
Lane, Maj. Daniel P., Portland, Oreg., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash.
Kerr, Capt. Dendell H., Portland, Oreg., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash.
Parker, 1st Lieut. Irving H., Portland, Oreg., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash.
Nichols, 1st Lieut. John R., Portland, Oreg., to Vancouver Barracks, Wash.
Sickler, 1st Lieut. Jesse D., Fort Des Moines, Iowa, to Abilene, Tex.
Brown, 2nd Lieut. Wayne G., Arlington, Va., to Washington, D. C.
Clave, 2nd Lieut. Fred G., Jr., Memphis, Tenn., to Fort Knox, Ky.
Signal Corps
Strike, Lt. Col. Clarence L., Madison, Wis., to Hawaiian Dept.
Sadtler, Lt. Col. Otis K., duty at Fort Meade, Md.
Arnold, Lt. Col. Calvert H., Fort Jackson, S. C., to Jacksonville, Fla.
Eliot, Lt. Col. Amory, to Mitchell Field, N. Y.
Schlenker, Lt. Col. David C. G., to Riverside, Calif.
Clarke, Maj. Carter W., to Spokane, Wash.
Allsair, 1st Lt. John A., to Ft. Belvoir, Va.
Signal Corps Reserve
Chilton, 2nd Lt. Frank, duty at Washington, D. C.
McAtser, Capt. Robert H., to Wash., D. C.
Payne, Lieut. Col. G., to Wash., D. C.
Specialist Reserve
Zuwiene, Maj. Eugene E., duty at Washington, D. C.
Denison, Maj. Arthur R., Washington, D. C., to Dayton, Ohio.
Cooper, Maj. Norwood R., duty at Washington, D. C.

New Bomber Flies at 400 M. P. H.

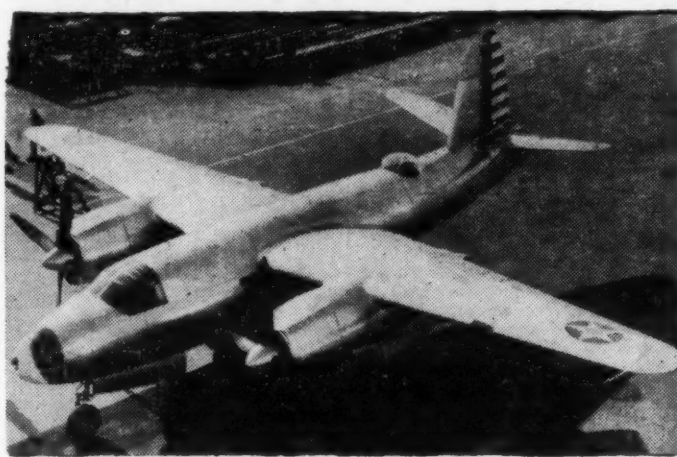
BALTIMORE.—"The B-24 is the Army's newest and most advanced bomber, and is faster than most pursuit ships now flying in Europe."

That, students, comes straight from the lips of Col. R. C. Capdee, Chief of Information, Army Air Corps, who is not given to speaking hastily. The statement came after the colonel watched the new Martin B-24 make its first run here.

With Test Pilot Ken Ebel at the controls, the ship came down the north-south runway behind 3,600 horses, turned into a silver streak for 1,500 yards. At that point Ebel gunned her into the air and she shot skyward like an arrow.

A chandelle done at blinding speed furnished the big thrill of the try-out. Ken brought the ship across the field at an altitude of 15 feet. Just in front of the spectators he banked to the left and pulled the stick all the way back.

The big twin-engine bomber rocketed to 2,000 feet, the left wing pointing at the ground. Just as it appeared the pilot was going to complete an Immelmann, he flattened out and sped away. In landing, Ebel used a stall technic, rather than the



shallow dive that has become conventional for planes with tricycle gears.

Army officers who watched the proceedings said the ship was almost ready for trials at the Wright Field, Ohio, laboratories. Speed of the plane was unofficially estimated at 400

miles an hour.

The B-24 has all the latest features that aerial combat in Europe has shown must be demanded in a plane of this type. These features include power turrets, great fire power, self-sealing fuel tanks and heavy protective armor.

Soldiers Rehearse Carols They Sing Christmas Eve

FORT MCLELLAN, Ala.—Come Christmas Eve, several towns around this military post are going to be serenaded. Residents are going to hear, perhaps for the first time in their lives, Christmas carols sung by men in khaki.

The 27th Division has formed a new unit which is not included in the table of organization. It is officially called the "Twenty-seventh Division Carol Singers (motorized)."

On Christmas Eve when all towns happily display a pine tree, blazing away with colored lights, the soldier-carolers will fan out of Fort McClellan on trucks and heads for Birmingham, Anniston, Gadsden, Jacksonville, Oxford and Piedmont. They will congregate at important intersections and sing.

This is one maneuver in which the officers will remain in the background and the chaplains will take

charge. They have picked the division's best singers, men who have had experience in church choirs and glee clubs at home, and organized them into squads of eight men each. Chaplain Edward J. Killion is conducting the various groups in rehearsal, helping them polish up for the big night.

Maj. Gen. William N. Haskell, division commander, said the carol singing will be the 27th's way of expressing its appreciation to nearby communities for their helpfulness and hospitality accorded the division since its arrival at Fort McClellan.

The singers will be led by the following regimental chaplains: Frank L. Titus, 105th Infantry; Joseph B. Delahunt, 108th Infantry; John T. Byrne, 102d Medical Regiment; Stephen J. Meany, 102d Quartermaster Regiment, and John E. Rooney, 165th Infantry.

Ft. Custer's 5th Signallers Face Communication Job

FT. CUSTER, Mich.—Among the busiest soldiers at rapidly expanding Fort Custer, Mich., are the 175 men of the 5th Sig. Co., under the command of Capt. Nye K. Elward who are installing and connecting hundreds of new telephone lines and conducting

Seventy-four miles of telephone lines are being strung and connected to a temporary board rented from the Michigan Bell Telephone Company to supplement the post system, pending the installation of a larger switchboard.

Another temporary switchboard connecting the Commanding General of the 5th Division and his staff with the commanders of subordinate units is also being installed and connected. When completed, the post system will include from 600 to 700 stations operating through a central switchboard accommodating 500 lines and with positions for five operators.

The construction work is in the immediate charge of 2nd Lt. Thomas K. Hughes. The permanent system when completed will be turned over to Lt. Sylvester D. Cotter, post signal officer.

Training in radio code work, similar to that of commercial operators is being given to approximately 60 men, 25 from the 5th Sig. Co. and 35 from the 5th Recon. Troop, and the Hqs. Co. of the 2nd Inf. This work is directly under 2nd Lt. Martin A. Kwitek.

The men sit at a long table, each with a set of head phones, and a key. Master Sergeant Stuart Morgan, at the switchboard, at the head of the table taps out a message which is taken down by the students.

Devens Speeds Construction

By 1st Lt. JULIAN PRESCOTT
FT. DEVENS, Mass.—While more than 12,000 building trades craftsmen and laborers push every phase of construction involved in erecting more than 1,000 buildings for the new cantonment here, officials report the barracks, mess halls and auxiliary units well on the way to completion in time to receive units of the 1st Div. early next year.

Better than 90 per cent of the foundation work has been done. The super foundation work can boom along at top speed once the concrete has hardened; more than 40 per cent

of this has been finished.

Construction of a modern cantonment at Ft. Devens presented a big grading problem to get level regimental areas.

Most all of the superstructures for the 18th and 26th Inf. areas is complete and the 16th Inf. area is well on its way.

One of the most surprising phases of the work was in the 101st Cav. sector. One day, bulldozers were pushing snow out of the way. The next, carpenters were putting together forms for foundations. Within a few days after the concrete was

Xmas Dinner To Entertain Left-Behinds

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—In observance of the Yuletide season, Dec. 21 through Jan. 6, has been set aside as a holiday period, Chanute Field authorities announced this week.

Personnel will be allowed eight consecutive days away from the field and will be required to spend the rest of the holiday at regular duty, working half-day shifts only. This schedule was arranged to give all men an equal opportunity to visit relatives during the holiday season. It is believed that 60 per cent of the men will request permission to spend the holiday away from the field.

As a measure of compensation for those who will be in the second group to leave, Dec. 29 through Jan. 6, Maj. Edgar T. Noyes, mess officer, and Staff Sgt. W. G. Baldwin, mess steward, have prepared a special Christmas menu.

Roast turkey and oyster dressing, roast leg of veal, shrimp cocktail, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, creamed potatoes, corn on the cob, fresh asparagus tips, buttered English peas, sliced tomatoes, celery hearts, stuffed olives, mixed pickles, raisin bread, whole wheat bread, parker house rolls, pumpkin pie, fresh cherry pie, ice cream, fruit cake, butter, coffee, fresh milk, orange juice, peanut brittle, mixed nuts, apples, oranges, bananas, grapes, cigars and cigarettes go to make up the basis of this annual "stuffing session."

The post chaplains have many activities planned. One of these will be a concert by the Women's Chorus, directed by Mrs. O. L. Rogers, at the post chapel, Dec. 15, at 7 p. m. "This will be a special candle light musical with a Christmas message," Lt. Col. Edw. L. Branham, senior post chaplain, said.

"Children of the Chanute Field officers and enlisted men will gather at the post theatre, Dec. 24, at 3:30 p. m. There will be Christmas trees, singing and distribution of gifts. A special movie, 'Santa Claus via Plane,' will be shown.

"There will be no 'forgotten men' at Chanute Field this year," Chaplain Branham remarked. "We are planning a large Christmas tree near the new hospital. Tuesday, Dec. 24, the Sunday vesper group, assisted by the winged chorus, will sing Christmas carols around the post. In addition, special Christmas services for all denominations will be conducted.

"Every patient in the hospital will be visited and given cigarettes and candy. The prisoners, too, will be visited and given gifts."

Three New Hospitals Ordered at Army Camp Centers

Construction of a 2,000-bed general hospital of cantonment type at Atlanta, Ga., and 1,000-bed hospitals of similar type at Ft. Dix, N. J., and at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, near Indianapolis, Ind., was authorized this week by the War Department.

The Atlanta hospital will cost approximately \$2,776,200; the one at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, \$1,525,000, and the Dix hospital, \$1,530,000.

Each hospital will be designed to treat practically any kind of illness. Construction on the three will start as soon as possible.

School's Out For 48 Men At Langely

LANGLEY FIELD, Va.—Forty-eight soldiers here have received their diplomas as mess sergeants, first cooks or second cooks after two months of training in the Langley Field branch of the Bakers and Cooks School of the 3d Corps Area.

Under Capt. Harry C. Naugle, commandant of the school, and his staff of cookery and dietetics experts, the young students learned all the intricacies of feeding fellow soldiers. Among the enlisted men who serve as instructors in the school are Tech. Sgt. John Jenn, San Antonio, Tex., and Staff Sgt. S. Putman of Wilson, Okla. They formerly served as instructors in the 3d Corps Area cooking school at Baltimore, Md. Capt. Naugle was ordered to active duty for a one-year period several months ago.

Four months of ordinary work compressed into the two-month course here. The graduates will be sent to Army stations in Puerto Rico and to Air Bases in the States. Those who completed the mess sergeant course were PFC: R. E. Miller, R. G. Mitchell, Paul Paetz, M. Peelman, T. A. Perkins, A. F. Rufford and C. H. Shelton, and Pvt. I. Marshall.

The first-cook graduates are: L. Galloway, a qualified mess sergeant who is refreshing his technique; PFC's J. E. Beers, J. G. R. H. Wibby, T. L. Keenan, P. E. Laughlin, W. Lamb and G. A. Streeter, and Pvs. E. E. Jack, V. Edman, L. Henderson, R. J. Hayes, J. Sigrist, Jr., W. F. Peters, G. H. and A. E. Ferguson.

Those graduating as 2d cooks are PFC's L. A. Crossin and J. H. Rainer, and Pvs. W. E. Burgess, C. A. Bowman, L. H. Holland, W. G. Morgan, A. M. Hutchins, J. H. Arnold, T. Vukoder, W. Darnell, M. I. Schenck, O. H. Primm, T. F. Ray, A. T. Deaton, Jr., P. E. Richards, G. B. Pegg, G. L. Koval, H. V. Howard, G. Tabor, A. H. Quick, M. Markovitch, W. J. Daniels, Jr., and E. Walukiewicz, Jr.

Civilians-Army Cooperating

FT. HAMILTON, N. Y.—Members of the M. P. force here are getting some excellent training they take home with them and put to use if they follow civilian police work.

Four officers and 70 enlisted men of the M. P. Co., 1st Div., are attending a two-weeks course given by experts of the New York City Police Department at the Brooklyn Police Academy. Subjects cover include traffic control, criminal investigation, sabotage, finger-priming, presentation of evidence and similar work.

Another example of cooperation between the military and civilian in the impetus being given to Army YMCA activities here. The Ft. Hamilton public relations officer recently addressed a meeting of 20 physical culture directors connected with Brooklyn "Y" on the general subject of cooperation with Army military posts and camps, with particular reference to sports and recreation.

Georgia Recruit Cracks B-Eyes With Garand

FT. BENNING, Ga.—A slatted slender rookie from Athens, Ga.—fresh from the States and with only two months military training and no previous experience in the use of firearms—has "cracked B-Eyes."

The recruit, Pvt. Charles B. Siniard, Co. B, 41st Inf. (Armored), distinguished himself in the recent annual record firing with the M-1 by shooting the highest score in the regiment—316 out of a possible 320.

Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rance Siniard.

Quiz Answers

1. It is hard to keep supplied with ammunition
2. The automatic rifle
3. 50 yards
4. 15 to 30 yards
5. 1-e; 2-a; 3-d; 4-b; 5-c
6. Medium
7. False
8. Yes
9. Lachrymatory gas shell
10. No